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DIVING INTO TOWN MEETING

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Should the town spend $900,000 to redesign a narrow stretch of High Plain Road that floods in severe weather? That's one of the questions Town Meeting voters will answer this year. Andover drivers experienced the problem with High Plain Road this week after several days of wet weather.

Town Meeting: A few good articles

With finances tight, many issues will wait 'til next year

By Andrea Gregory

Drivers faced a choice on High Plain Road this week: turn around and find an alternate route, or take a plunge into the flooded roadway. Later this month, such drivers can vote at Town Meeting whether Andover should spend $900,000 to make street improvements to limit flooding and widen the road.

That is one of several items set to grab some attention at Town Meeting April 26 and 27. Other issues include the $116 million budget, whether to spend $350,000 for senior-center designs, and whether to approve another $1.25 million for the town's large sewer expansion project.

Town workers and private supporters say they plan to withdraw from consideration several warrant articles that were expected to generate debate.

Here are some of the issues for Town Meeting:

High Plain Road reconstruction

Jack Petkus, public works director, said flooding is only one of the concerns with the section of High Plain Road that crosses the Fish Brook area.

After the new schools opened, school bus drivers began complaining about that same narrow stretch of pavement being too narrow for their large vehicles, said Petkus. The size of the road is an issue the fire department also has complained about for years.

Petkus said drivers claim this piece of road creates a dangerous situation when a vehicle the size of a school bus faces oncoming traffic. The two vehicles cannot pass each other there, so someone must pull to the side of the road, said Petkus.

Petkus said this section of High Plain Road needs to be raised by about two feet and widened by two feet.

According to Petkus, the road is currently 21½ feet, guardrail to guardrail, at the section of road in question. Repair work costing $900,000 would widen the road and the space between the road and the guardrail. Each lane would be about 12-feet wide and the guardrail would be about two feet away from the pavement.

"We recommend it be done. Could you put it off? Yeah, you could, but it's just going to create problems (with flooding) a few times a year," said Petkus. "It's not going to prevent every flood, but it will prevent most floods."

Actual construction will take six to nine months and should take place in 2005 or 2006, he said. Petkus said he would like to see the reconstruction done in a way that would close only one lane at a time.

Two-thirds approval from Town

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Budget report warns of problems

Residents' property taxes will rise 3.3 percent next year, a smaller increase than in the past two years and not enough to pay for all the services residents are used to receiving, the Finance Committee said.

In the letter that will preface this year's Finance Committee report for Town Meeting, the committee wrote that two years of state aid cuts have forced local departments to eliminate jobs and to reduce some services to pay for contractual salary increases.

The town is raising as much money from taxes as it is allowed under Proposition 2½; Andover could only raise more if voters approve an override, the committee wrote.

"We expect that the public will accept increased fees and some reduction in service, if it means holding the line on taxes," the letter said. "We are, however, concerned that some of the budget reductions may have gone too far, and that understaffing may only cost us more in the long run."

The letter points to reduced staffing in the planning, health, building and conservation departments. Legal problems could result if inspections and documentation required for construction and other projects cannot be produced "in a timely manner," the committee wrote.

It also refers to the police and fire departments, which spend more money on overtime pay for staffers when positions are left unfilled. "It may not be possible for public safety to continue with reduced staffing, hold the line on overtime costs, and still have enough people on duty to safely and effectively do the job," the letter said.

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Blind woman's assaulter

Locked up until he's 75

By Ben Hellman

The prison inmate who broke into an apartment while on work release and attempted to rape a disabled Andover woman two years ago was sentenced Monday to 35 to 40 years in state prison.

Alex Mattei, 40, of Lawrence was found guilty of armed home invasion and assault with intent to rape and other crimes, said Steve O'Connell, spokesman for District Attorney Jonathan Blodgett.

DNA testing played an important role in the case, convincing the jury that both Mattei and the victim had come in contact with specific items, such as Mattei's sweatshirt.

Essex Assistant District Attorney Kathe Tuttman, an Andover resident, said the DNA evidence was instrumental in connecting Mattei to the victim because the woman, who is legally blind, could not visually identify Mattei in the courtroom.

Incident changed oversight of inmate work programs
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Tuttman said she has prosecuted only one other conviction where the judge handed down so long a sentence. That was awarded for a similar crime, involving an attack on an elderly woman.

"It's a high sentence. I think it's justified here," said Tuttman. Tuttman said Mattei would serve close to 35 years in prison for the crime, due to the truth-in-sentencing law adopted in 1994.

Mattei's attorney Ronald Ranta has appealed the verdict. He had no further comment.

After an eight-day trial, the Lawrence Superior Court jury deliberated for just four hours before returning its verdict. Mattei was also found guilty on

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Keeping the train whistles silent

Town would upgrade to avoid horns

By Andrea Gregory

The Federal Railroad Administration is issuing stiffer safety guidelines for railroad crossings, and towns that fail to meet them will hear the blowing of train whistles. But Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski says the town will do "whatever it takes" to maintain its nine-year-old quiet zone.

Andover is one of several communities that has banned train whistles from blowing in town, because residents have complained they are a disturbance, often blowing late at night. It is unclear what Andover will need to install at its railroad crossings to ensure horns will not blow again.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Trains have not needed to blow whistles in Andover for nine years.

Town Meeting voters decided Andover should eliminate train whistles at a Special Town Meeting in December 1994. By June 1995, Andover had succeeded in muting the sound.

Andover plans on petitioning the FRA to maintain this relative silence at the crossings, said Stapczynski.

"Each town will have to make a determination whether or not they qualify under pre-rule regulations. The local roadway authority is going to have to dig into the rule," said Randy Dickinson, FRA grade crossing safety manager. "I hesitate to

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Top US skaters to assist man in coma

COURTESY PHOTO

Randy Guilmette (left, center) with, clockwise from top, son Christopher, daughter Sarah, girlfriend Hazel Houle, and son Camryn.

Mechanic shows improvement, moves arm; US medalists skating for him at Phillips rink

By Ben Hellman

There's been some encouraging news regarding coma-stricken Main Street Gulf gas-station manager Randy Guilmette, known to many residents as a kind and honest mechanic.

Although he is still in a coma, Guilmette has begun to move. In addition, a group of top-performing US national championship ice skaters will perform in Andover during one of two benefits during the weekend of April 16. The money raised by the benefits is meant to help pay Guilmette's medical bills.

Guilmette, 32, was in a snowmobile accident in Quebec on Feb. 19. His brother Armand Guilmette, an Andover firefighter, said he was snowmobiling with his brother and four other Andover firefighters when Randy Guilmette lost control of his snowmobile and struck a snow-grooming machine. Guilmette suffered brain injuries when his head struck the machine and he has been in a coma since.

But Guilmette's condition has improved recently, said Armand Guilmette. Guilmette was not moving after the accident, but he now has begun to move his left arm, react to stimuli and even scratch his face. "The prayers have worked," said Guilmette, who said he believes his brother will recover.

Guilmette does not have health insurance and a recovery fund has been set up at Banknorth on Main Street. Guilmette is the father of three young children and donations to pay his medical bills have been appreciated, said

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Extended-stay hotel to be auctioned off

By Andrea Gregory

It appears Springhill Suites by Marriott – an extended-stay hotel – will have only a three-year stay in Andover. The hotel at 550 Minuteman Drive is being foreclosed on and will be auctioned off Wednesday, April 28, at 11 a.m.

The 136-room, three-year-old hotel is up for grabs to the highest bidder. The hotel sits on 19 acres and comes complete with an indoor pool.

Bruce Symmes, town assessor, said the foreclosure of Spring Hill Suites should have no effect the property tax Andover collects.

"We don't care who owns it, as long as they pay their taxes," said Symmes. Symmes said the hotel has an assessed value of $8,463,100 and paid $153,436 in property taxes last year.

Jeff Mann, an auctioneer with Paul E. Saperstein Co. Inc., said there is no starting price to kick off the bidding. He said he could not predict how many bidders would show up or how much the property might sell for.

Employees at the hotel seemed to know nothing about the auction, and referred questions to the management company. "We are not aware of any auction. It is a Springhill Suites, and it will remain a Springhill Suites," said Ken Capone, region vice president for Lodging Management.

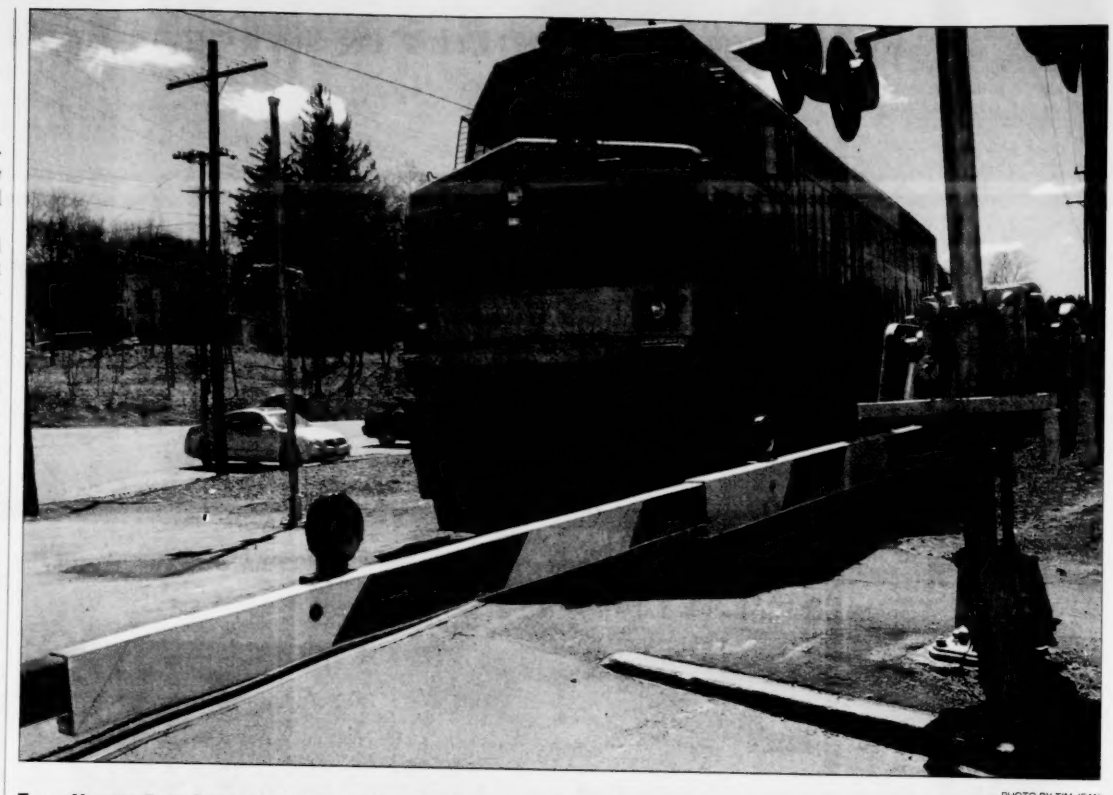
No one from Thayer Lodging Group out of Maryland – where the property tax bills are sent – returned phone calls.

Mann said the auction is official, and information is available on the company Web site. Developers in town are aware of the auction. "The economy is off. Hotels are generally hurting," said Marty Spagat, who developed and sold the land.

"I was actually surprised to find out," said Steve Druth, of Druth Commercial, who had worked on developing the site before the hotel opened for business. "I think it caught everyone by surprise."

Paul Materazzo, town planner, said it is likely a new owner will continue to use the property for a hotel, but that is not necessary. The site is zoned for industrial use.

Springhill Suites on Minuteman Road



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Town Manager Buzz Stapczynksi says Andover will do whatever it must to ensure train whistles will not begin blowing again at railroad crossings in town. After Andover initiated its whistle-blowing ban in 1994, it reported that there would be 104 fewer whistles blown each day. Stiffer federal regulations will make it tougher for some towns to continue such bans.

Town: Nine-year ban on noise will chug on

■ TRAIN WHISTLES

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say if (Andover) will or they won't have to do anything."

Andover will have two years from Dec. 18 to comply with the new regulations. In towns where whistle-silencing measures were implemented on Oct. 9, 1996, upgrading to new safety standards must be done by Dec. 18. Stapczynski said the town will be requesting that someone from the FRA or MBTA come to Andover to inspect the crossings.

Risk ratings for train crossings developed by the FRA indicate Andover is "apparently qualified" to keep trains from sounding off after the new rule takes effect. However, Andover would be considered dramatically safer by the FRA – its risk rating would be reduced by about 50 percent – if train horns were used here.

"I don't think the existing conditions make it unsafe," said Andover Safety Officer Bob Cronin about the absence of train whistles. But Cronin is not convinced the decision to silence trains should continue indefinitely. He said Andover might decide train whistles are necessary someday, even if the federal government does not require the whistles to blow.

"I think it's something that should be under constant review. That doesn't mean there would have to be an accident to change things," he said. "Trains are a lot different than cars. You can't stop on a dime."

For now, officials are looking to keep the peace. Stapczynski said the town is drafting a letter to send to the FRA during a comment period that ends this month.

"Our comments haven't changed," Stapczynski said. "We're going to want to maintain our quiet zone."

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The top photo was taken along the Shawsheen River near the Marland Village, during a March 1936 flood. Samuel Phillips' former gunpowder mill, built in 1775 and converted to a paper mill, can be seen down the river. The bottom photo was taken this week after heavy rains. This time, the Shawsheen River did not overflow its banks in that area.

Learn about Town Meeting's big issues on Tuesday

The League of Women Voters of Andover/North Andover will conduct its annual warrant forum next Tuesday, April 13 at 10 a.m. at Memorial Hall Library. The event is free and open to the public. For those who will be unable to attend, the forum will be aired live on Andover cable television station 8 and rebroadcast periodically up until Andover's Anuual Town Meeting.

At the warrant forum, members of the League of Women Voters of Andover will discuss the pros and cons of the most interesting warrant articles.

This event is an opportunity for Andover citizens to learn more about some of the warrant articles that will be voted upon at Town Meeting on April 26 and 27, such as the proposed senior center design money, health insurance for town employees, intermunicipal sewer agreements, and electing the town manager. LWV President Diana Walsh will moderate.

Andover League seeks new members

The League of Women Voters of Andover/North Andover, which describes itself as a nonpartisan, grassroots organization committed to influencing public policy through education and advocacy, is seeking new members for the June 2004-05 fiscal year. To encourage new members to join in time to take part in spring 2004 events, the local chapter is extending a special introductory offer to prospective members. Everyone joining the chapter from now until April 30, will enjoy membership benefits through June 30, 2005.

For additional information, contact Stefani Traina Goldshein at 978-470-3140, or visit the Web site www.LWV-Andovers.org.

Tax bill mailed out

The town of Andover has mailed the 2004 excise bills with an issue date of March 12, due 30 days from the date of issue. Any questions regarding adjustments to the bills should be directed to the assessor's office.

The town of Andover has also mailed the Real Estate tax bill for the Fiscal Year 2004 fourth quarter. Payment is due Monday, May 3. Taxes unpaid after that date are subject to interest charges of 14 percent.

The Town Offices at 36 Bartlet St. are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Payments can be mailed in the envelope provided or dropped in the white mailbox with the blue town of Andover seal in front of Town Offices. The tax collector's office will also be open Monday, May 3, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Residents who have questions or have not received a bill, should call Town Offices at 978-623-8200.

Alzheimer's forum

"Alzheimer's Disease – We're All In This Together," the 16th annual Merrimack Valley Alzheimer's Conference, will be held on Saturday, April 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. at the Wyndham Andover, Old River Road. It is a conference for family and professional caregivers for individuals with Alzheimer's disease.

Experts in the field will present the most current information on Alzheimer's disease including: Dr. Sanford H. Auerbach, who will present "Current Research on Memory Loss"; Mal Allard, LPN, "Entering Their World... Their Reality"; Debra Katt-Lloyd, panel moderator, "Hearing from Us Who Have Been There"; and attorneys Jay and Joseph Cleary, "The Legal and Financial Network."

Care for those with Alzheimer's disease is available, free of charge, on the day of the conference at Community Family Memory Disorders Care Center, Lowell, 978-458-4844, and Nevins Alzheimer's Family Care Center, Methuen, 978-682-3582. Call before April 13 to make arrangements for care. The Alzheimer's Conference is sponsored by Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley and the Merrimack Valley Alzheimer's Partnership. Cost is $20 per individual; $40 per care-giving family; $25 per person if applying for RN, LPN or SW continuing education units. Registration deadline is Tuesday, April 13. Call Barbara Brandt-Saret, 978-683-7747, Ext. 347.

Quote, unquote . . .

THIS IS ANOTHER piece of state mandate that falls on the burden of local taxpayers. It's just one more item we have that we can't control, can't predict and are required to pick up.

– School Committee chairman Tony James on paying $160,000 this year to provide school transportation for homeless students housed in Andover hotels. **(Story, page 5)**

News Calendar

Thursday, April 8

Council on Aging, School Administration Building, third floor, 8 a.m.

Finance Committee, contracts subcommittee, Town Offices, selectmen's conference room, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, April 9

Council on Aging, transportation sub-committee, Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St., 1:30 p.m.

Monday, April 12

South School Improvement Council, conference room, noon.

Senior Center Task Force, School Administration Building, third floor, 5:30 p.m.

Housing Partnership Committee, Town Offices, second floor, 7:30 p.m.

Selectmen, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.

Cultural Council, Memorial Hall Library, activity room, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 13

Preservation Commission, Town Offices, second floor, 6 p.m.

Board of Health, Fish Brook Task Force, water treatment plant, Lowell Street, 7 p.m.

Planning Board, Town Offices, third floor, 7:30 p.m.; public hearings at 8:30, 9:30 p.m.

School Committee, School Administration Building, 7:30 p.m.

Vision 21 Committee, Town Offices, first floor, 7:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission, Memorial Auditorium, next to Town Offices, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, April 14

School Building Committee, Town Offices, Plant and Facilities conference room, 5:30 p.m.

Finance Committee, Town Offices, second floor, 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 15

School Committee Task Force, Town Offices, selectmen's conference room, 7:30 a.m.

Andover North Andover Community Partnership for Children, School Administration Building, conference room C, 1 p.m.

Prep for Andover Town Meeting, with various committee chairs, Town Offices, third floor, 4 p.m.

Contract negotiations, Greater Lawrence Technical High School, visitor's center at the school, 57 River Road, 4 p.m.

Town health clinics

The Andover Health Department will host mini clinics on Monday, April 12 from 2 to 3 p.m. at Andover Commons, and on Monday, April 26 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle.

Senior center clinics will be held from 2 to 3 p.m. each Wednesday, April 14, 21 and 28. No appointment is necessary.

Town Democrats

The next meeting of the Andover Democratic Town Committee will be held on Monday, April 12 at Marland Place on Stevens Street. A pizza social starts at 7 p.m. and the business meeting begins at 7:30. All registered Democrats are invited. Contact Chairwoman Nancy O'Connor Stolberg at 978-470-2784.

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15 homeless families in town hotels

By Andrea Gregory

For 15 homeless families, Andover is only a temporary home. With shelters full, the state temporarily is housing these families at four Andover hotels,

According to Dick Powers, spokesman for the Department of Transitional Assistance, there are 263 homeless families living out of hotel rooms in Massachusetts. He said the state tries to put families in temporary living situations close to their school districts. The families living in Andover are placed there through the Lawrence Welfare Office, said Powers.

"Living in a hotel is far from ideal, but it's much better than the alternative. The alternative is a woman and her children sleeping in a car, under a bridge or on the streets," said Powers.

Town pays more than $100,000 for children's school transportation

While living in a hotel may not be ideal for many families, the towns also face a financial burden when it comes to transporting the school-age children who are living in hotels. Towns are responsible to cover the cost of school transportation.

According to projections from Bernie Tuttle, school business manager, Andover will pay $160,000 for the current school year to transport homeless children to school. That means the town spends an average of $889 per day in transporting homeless children. Staffing changes that led to salary reductions are expected to cover the expense this year, said Tuttle.

Powers said there are 30 school-age homeless children living in Andover hotels. Tuttle claims that number is not correct and that Andover buses 57 children per day. Tuttle said his number is based on information provided by other communities' school districts.

Tuttle said the children's school districts arrange for bus transportation and split the cost with Andover, which means the total cost of busing homeless children averages $1,778 per day.

"I don't know of any cheaper ways," said Tuttle. For children in the Lawrence schools, four buses are sent to four different hotels, he said.

Andover schools started funding transportation for homeless students in 2002-03 as part of the No Child Left Behind Act. The first year Andover did not budget for the expense and spent $31,973. This year, again, Andover did not include any money in the budget to cover this expense. Tuttle said he believed the cost would be covered through other unused transportation funds. He said the cost for this year is much higher than what was anticipated.

For the coming fiscal year, $100,000 is budgeted to cover the cost of school transportation for homeless children.

School Committee Chairman Tony James said it was hard to estimate how this would affect Andover without having a cost history.

"The real story is this is another piece of state mandate that falls on the burden of local taxpayers," said James. "It's just one more item we have that we (a.) can't control, (b.) can't predict and are required to pick up."

James said he assumed the recent hike in what the town pays to provide the transportation was a result of "just a lot more homeless people that are living in hotel."

But, according to state statistics, the number of homeless families living in hotels has decreased dramatically in the last year. Last year at this time, there were 43 homeless families in Andover hotels compared to the 15 families now, said Powers.

Hotels are only used as a last resort, in the event that shelters are full. He said families will typically spend about 50 days in a hotel before another space is found for them. He said the state pays $112 per night for a hotel room. It costs $97 per night to house families in a shelter.

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Powers credits the results to a revamp of the system. In the past, the Department of Transitional Assistance focused more on the housing component, rather than looking to address all the problems that homeless families face, he said. He said the department shifted people around to create 14 case managers who work with homeless families on a long term basis.

"The outlook on how we treat the system is new. I would call it intense hand-holding. It seems to be paying off in huge dividends," said Powers. "We are doing extremely well and the homeless population is getting smaller. I think everything we have done in the past year has been positive."

Powers said there are more changes planned. Gov. Mitt Romney's budget proposes localized pilot programs to address the homeless issue. The plan is to have the Department of Emergency Assistance work closely with local homeless providers to identify trends and causes to homelessness in specific areas.

Schools to release secret-session notes

By Meir Rinde

For eight years, the School Committee and administration have failed to release the committee's executive session minutes, violating state law on closed-door government proceedings.

Committee member Christopher Smith said he brought the matter up at a meeting this week after he heard from Superintendent Claudia L. Bach's office that the meeting records had never been made public. Committee members now say they will make the minutes publicly available in the near future.

Parent Ellen Travers said the violation is another example of the communication problems the committee was criticized for during last month's election campaign. "There are certain things they can't discuss publicly," said Travers, co-president of Andover High School's Parent Advisory Council. "But when they then form an opinion, they have to be able to communicate the reasoning that leads them to that decision. That's where I feel there's still a long way to go – both with the School Committee and the selectmen.

"The School Committee has habitually only provided the pros that support their position on an issue, and not the cons. You don't want to feel that you've been led down a path. Then there's a level of distrust."

Committee members said they did not know why the documents – hundreds of pages of them covering such things as lawsuits and union negotiations – were not regularly released as the law requires.

"I have no idea," committee Chairman Anthony James said. "I took a look at them. There's a binder full of these. Sometimes past practice is just followed, and I suspect that's what happened here."

"I would hope that our committee would take seriously its obligation under the law to keep the citizenry informed of our actions," Smith said. "Regrettably, our past practice has been out of compliance with state law, and our committee has not made appropriate efforts to be more forthright."

According to state law, "the records of any executive session may remain secret as long as publication may defeat the lawful purposes of the executive session, but no longer." For example, once a lawsuit has been resolved, a committee's secret discussion of its legal strategy must become public.

Town Clerk Randy Hanson, who gives all town boards and elected officials copies of state record-keeping laws, said executive session records must become public as soon as the justification for secrecy ends, even if no one has asked to see them. That includes minutes that cover multiple topics, she said. "If one issue is still in litigation, they're still required to release the stuff that isn't," Hanson said.

The committee has been criticized for its secrecy this year after agreeing to extend Bach's contract in a secret session.

Town of Andover 2004 Survey

This note arrived from the assistant town manager Wednesday morning:

"If you are one of the 1200 randomly selected households that received the town of Andover's 2004 Citizen's Survey in the mail during the past couple of weeks, please complete the survey and return it in the postage paid envelope no later than Thursday, April 15. A higher response rate from the sample group will result in a more accurate representation of overall community opinion when the results are tabulated and reported.

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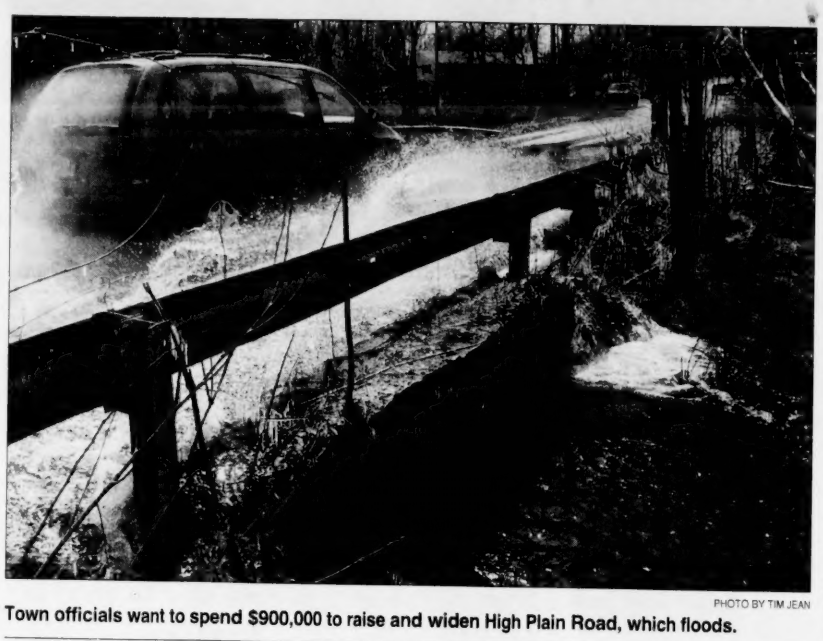

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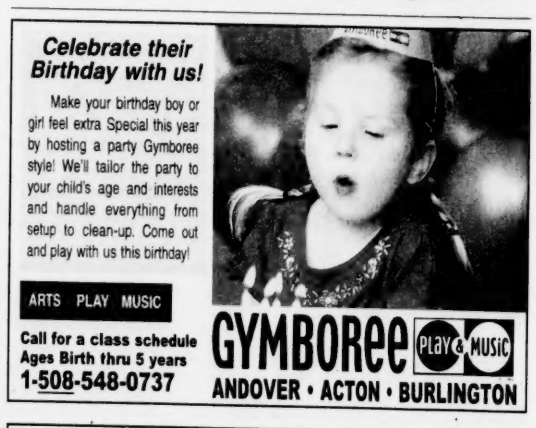

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'Better than the alternative ... the streets'

15 homeless families in town hotels

By Andrea Gregory

For 15 homeless families, Andover is only a temporary home. With shelters full, the state temporarily is housing these families at four Andover hotels,

According to Dick Powers, spokesman for the Department of Transitional Assistance, there are 263 homeless families living out of hotel rooms in Massachusetts. He said the state tries to put families in temporary living situations close to their school districts. The families living in Andover are placed there through the Lawrence Welfare Office, said Powers.

"Living in a hotel is far from ideal, but it's much better than the alternative. The alternative is a woman and her children sleeping in a car, under a bridge or on the streets," said Powers.

Town pays more than $100,000 for children's school transportation

While living in a hotel may not be ideal for many families, the towns also face a financial burden when it comes to transporting the school-age children who are living in hotels. Towns are responsible to cover the cost of school transportation.

According to projections from Bernie Tuttle, school business manager, Andover will pay $160,000 for the current school year to transport homeless children to school. That means the town spends an average of $889 per day in transporting homeless children. Staffing changes that led to salary reductions are expected to cover the expense this year, said Tuttle.

Powers said there are 30 school-age homeless children living in Andover hotels. Tuttle claims that number is not correct and that Andover buses 57 children per day. Tuttle said his number is based on information provided by other communities' school districts.

Tuttle said the children's school districts arrange for bus transportation and split the cost with Andover, which means the total cost of busing homeless children averages $1,778 per day.

"I don't know of any cheaper ways," said Tuttle. For children in the Lawrence schools, four buses are sent to four different hotels, he said.

Andover schools started funding transportation for homeless students in 2002-03 as part of the No Child Left Behind Act. The first year Andover did not budget for the expense and spent $31,973. This year, again, Andover did not include any money in the budget to cover this expense. Tuttle said he believed the cost would be covered through other unused transportation funds. He said the cost for this year is much higher than what was anticipated.

For the coming fiscal year, $100,000 is budgeted to cover the cost of school transportation for homeless children.

School Committee Chairman Tony James said it was hard to estimate how this would affect Andover without having a cost history.

"The real story is this is another piece of state mandate that falls on the burden of local taxpayers," said James. "It's just one more item we have that we (a.) can't control, (b.) can't predict and are required to pick up."

James said he assumed the recent hike in what the town pays to provide the transportation was a result of "just a lot more homeless people that are living in hotel."

But, according to state statistics, the number of homeless families living in hotels has decreased dramatically in the last year. Last year at this time, there were 43 homeless families in Andover hotels compared to the 15 families now, said Powers.

Hotels are only used as a last resort, in the event that shelters are full. He said families will typically spend about 50 days in a hotel before another space is found for them. He said the state pays $112 per night for a hotel room. It costs $97 per night to house families in a shelter.

> **"We are doing extremely well and the homeless population is getting smaller."**
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> DICK POWERS, STATE TRANSITIONAL ASSISTANCE SPOKESMAN, ON THE RESULTS OF A MORE INTENSIVE APPROACH TO HELPING THE HOMESESS

As a whole, the numbers of homeless in hotels appear to be declining. In August, Massachusetts reached an all-time high, with 599 families in hotels statewide. Today, the number is down by more than 50 percent.

Powers credits the results to a revamp of the system. In the past, the Department of Transitional Assistance focused more on the housing component, rather than looking to address all the problems that homeless families face, he said. He said the department shifted people around to create 14 case managers who work with homeless families on a long term basis.

"The outlook on how we treat the system is new. I would call it intense hand-holding. It seems to be paying off in huge dividends," said Powers. "We are doing extremely well and the homeless population is getting smaller. I think everything we have done in the past year has been positive."

Powers said there are more changes planned. Gov. Mitt Romney's budget proposes localized pilot programs to address the homeless issue. The plan is to have the Department of Emergency Assistance work closely with local homeless providers to identify trends and causes to homelessness in specific areas.

Schools to release secret-session notes

By Meir Rinde

For eight years, the School Committee and administration have failed to release the committee's executive session minutes, violating state law on closed-door government proceedings.

Committee member Christopher Smith said he brought the matter up at a meeting this week after he heard from Superintendent Claudia L. Bach's office that the meeting records had never been made public. Committee members now say they will make the minutes publicly available in the near future.

Parent Ellen Travers said the violation is another example of the communication problems the committee was criticized for during last month's election campaign. "There are certain things they can't discuss publicly," said Travers, co-president of Andover High School's Parent Advisory Council. "But when they then form an opinion, they have to be able to communicate the reasoning that leads them to that decision. That's where I feel there's still a long way to go – both with the School Committee and the selectmen.

"The School Committee has habitually only provided the pros that support their position on an issue, and not the cons. You don't want to feel that you've been led down a path. Then there's a level of distrust."

Committee members said they did not know why the documents – hundreds of pages of them covering such things as lawsuits and union negotiations – were not regularly released as the law requires.

"I have no idea," committee Chairman Anthony James said. "I took a look at them. There's a binder full of these. Sometimes past practice is just followed, and I suspect that's what happened here."

"I would hope that our committee would take seriously its obligation under the law to keep the citizenry informed of our actions," Smith said. "Regrettably, our past practice has been out of compliance with state law, and our committee has not made appropriate efforts to be more forthright."

According to state law, "the records of any executive session may remain secret as long as publication may defeat the lawful purposes of the executive session, but no longer." For example, once a lawsuit has been resolved, a committee's secret discussion of its legal strategy must become public.

Town Clerk Randy Hanson, who gives all town boards and elected officials copies of state record-keeping laws, said executive session records must become public as soon as the justification for secrecy ends, even if no one has asked to see them. That includes minutes that cover multiple topics, she said. "If one issue is still in litigation, they're still required to release the stuff that isn't," Hanson said.

The committee has been criticized for its secrecy this year after agreeing to extend Bach's contract in a secret session.

Town of Andover 2004 Survey

This note arrived from the assistant town manager Wednesday morning:

"If you are one of the 1200 randomly selected households that received the town of Andover's 2004 Citizen's Survey in the mail during the past couple of weeks, please complete the survey and return it in the postage paid envelope no later than Thursday, April 15. A higher response rate from the sample group will result in a more accurate representation of overall community opinion when the results are tabulated and reported.

"The survey results will be available on the town's Web site at www.town.andover.ma.us in early June. The town appreciates your cooperation and participation in this important town assessment and feedback initiative."

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Raising funds for recovering man

■ COMA HELP

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Armand Guilmette. Checks made out to the "Randy Guilmette Fund" can be brought to the Banknorth on Main Street.

For one loyal Gulf customer donating money was not enough. Guilmette is the mechanic to one-time US Olympic skater and seven-time US ice dancing medalist Ron Kravette. Kravette learned of Guilmette's accident from a newspaper article taped to the wall of the Main Street Gulf Station, where Guilmette is also the station manager.

Guilmette has serviced Kravette's cars for four years and built up a strong trust with Kravette. "I've always known him to be really pleasant and really honest, and how often can you say that about your car mechanic? You are completely at the mercy of your car mechanic," said Kravette.

Kravette, also an ice-skating coach at Phillips Academy, has organized internationally competitive skaters to perform in a skating exhibition at the Harrison Rink on Saturday, April 17 from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Kravette said he has gotten a tentative agreement from Olympic silver medalist Nancy Kerrigan to perform at the event. Also on the bill will be third-place US Skating Championship pairs medalists Loren Galler-Rabinowitz and David Mitchell, second-place US championship pairs medalists Garrett Lucash and Katie Orscher and fourth-place finisher Scott Smith. The US Skating Championships are the final qualifying event for both the Olympic Games and the World Championships.

There will be free skating at noon, before the exhibition, and a photo and autograph session after it. Phillips Academy is donating the facilities and ice time for the event. The $10 admission fee and lobby bake sale will benefit Guilmette. Tickets are available at the Harrison Rink Office at 254 South Main St., or by calling 978-684-7200.

Another charity benefit is being thrown by the friends and family of Guilmette on Friday, April 16 at 7 p.m. at the Lawrence Elks 65, Main Hall, 652 Andover St., Lawrence. There will be a potluck buffet, a raffle and auction items. The Sterling Bridge Band will play the function, donating its time. Tickets are $20 and more information is available by calling Hazel Houle at 978-985-0362.

COURTESY PHOTO

Hazel Houle, Randy Guillmette's girlfriend, shared the above photo, showing Guilmette with daughter Sarah Guilmette.

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by Richard D. Hopgood, D.M.D., F.A.G.D.

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Work release inmate gets 35-40 years

■ INMATE SENTENCED

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charges of breaking and entering a building in the daytime, putting a person in fear, indecent assault and battery, assault with a dangerous weapon, and assault and battery. The trial was presided over by Judge Diane Kottmyer.

Alex Mattei

Prosecutor Tuttman presented evidence to show that about 1 p.m. on April 26, 2002, Mattei, who was serving a sentence for drug offenses, was working at Grandview Terrace, an apartment complex in Andover for elderly and disabled residents. He was washing the floor outside the victim's apartment, and knocked on her door to tell her to be careful because the floor was slippery.

A few minutes later, the 36 year-old victim, who is legally blind and developmentally disabled, heard her doorknob turn, and was suddenly grabbed from behind. Mattei beat her about the face, tried to restrain her using duct tape, and attempted to rape her, said Tuttman. Several minutes after the assault began, Mattei fled, she said.

Although the victim's glasses were knocked off and the one eye she could see out of had been hurt in the struggle, the woman managed to find her phone and call 911. She told police that her assailant was wearing a white sweatshirt, and had been cleaning outside her apartment before the assault. Police located a sweatshirt with blood on it in a trash receptacle across the hall from her apartment, and witnesses confirmed that it belonged to Mattei.

Tuttman said the victim handled herself well in court throughout the trial. "I feel very good for the victim. She was very brave," said Tuttman. Tuttman thanked Victim/Witness Advocate Deborah Dunn, who guided the victim and her family through the trial process.

Tuttman praised the investigative work of Andover Detective Charles Heseltine, his fellow detectives, and uniform police officers who worked on the investigation. "The Andover Police Department did an absolutely top notch investigation. They devoted a lot of time and manpower and it really paid off," said Tuttman.

PRISON WORK RELEASE

Sheriff's office says correctional officers now handle all supervision

Prison inmate Alex Mattei was working at the Andover Housing Authority as part of a work-release program when he assaulted an Andover resident in 2002. Officials said that particular Essex County Sheriff's Department work program – which allowed towns to take responsibility for some supervision of workers from the Correctional Alternative Center in Lawrence – was canceled the day of the attack.

Today, inmate workers in current group programs are always supervised by corrections officers, said Essex County Sheriff's Department Spokesman Paul Fleming.

Inmates would not come to a town unless they were invited by state or local authorities, said Fleming. When a town authority requests inmate workers, the local police are notified by a phone call and a fax, said Fleming. However, when groups of inmates clean the interstates in Andover for the Massachusetts Highway Department, local authorities are not notified.

There is also a program in which individual inmates work in manufacturing and other jobs, said Fleming. Inmates in this program are paid a wage that they are given when they complete their sentence.

Since the April 2002 attack, inmates from the Correctional Alternative Center in Lawrence have worked in Andover on only two occasions, said Fleming. In both cases, government agencies asked for the workers' help. In August 2002, inmates helped the Andover Fire Department remove items from the old fire station before it was torn down. They worked in Andover again at the request of the Andover State Police in May and June 2003, when the workers painted the state police barracks on Route 125.

Housing Authority Director Christine Metzemaekers said prisoners have not worked at the Andover Housing Authority since the 2002 assault. "They have never ever been at the Housing Authority since the incident, that I can assure you," said Metzemaekers. "The very day that happened was the last day they were here."

Fleming said the existing work-release programs and the one that was shut down after the 2002 assault were all in existence for 25 to 30 years. "They (prisoners) are paying back their debt to society," said Fleming. "We're very proud of (the programs)."

– Ben Hellman

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Saturday, April 3 – At 6:16 p.m., Alexandre Anastasiou, 20, of 240 Jackson St., Lowell, was arrested and charged on a warrant with possessing liquor as a minor.

At 8:21 p.m., Daniel Skerik, 20, of Georgetown (no address provided) was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct.

Monday, April 5 – At 3:50 p.m., Peter Maggio, 38, of 768 Waverly Road, North Andover, was arrested and charged with driving without a license, which had been suspended following a drunk-driving conviction.

Tuesday, April 6 – At 10:47 a.m., Jonathan Green, 24, of 96 Lancaster Farm Road, Salem, N.H., was arrested and charged on a warrant with four counts of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

At 2:57 p.m., Lee Lucas, 42, of 44 Colonial Road, Methuen, was arrested and charged for trespassing at the Greater Lawrence Technical School.

At 6:48 p.m., Marcelino Afonso, 23, of 119 Drum Hill Road, Chelmsford, was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving an uninsured motor vehicle, for a number plate violation and for driving an unregistered motor vehicle.

THEFTS

Wednesday, March 31 – At 2:54 p.m., a resident reported someone starting a credit-card under his name.

At 4:08 p.m., a woman in the lobby reported someone used her debit card without her permission.

Monday, April 5 – At 4:03 p.m., a construction worker reported the possible theft of his wallet at the Greater Lawrence Technical School.

BREAKS

Monday, April 5 – At 8:05 a.m., on Beacon Street, a builder reported someone broke into a trailer and stole tools from it.

INCIDENTS

Thursday, April 1 – At 9:09 a.m. a Paulnorette Circle resident reported a fox in her yard. The woman was asked by an officer if the fox looked sick. The woman replied it looked more hungry than sick. The fox was gone before an officer arrived on the scene.

At 11:05 a.m., there was a sex offense committed in town. Andover Police blacked out the street name and would not provide further information on the incident.

At 2:22 p.m., a man on Keystone Way with Parkinson's disease fell down 12 stairs and was taken to the hospital.

At 5:23 p.m., Andover Housing Authority Director Christine Metzemaekers, reported that on Monday a man known as "The Candy" had given a child candy. Police said it was an older man who likes to give the kids candy.

At 9:59 p.m., Lawrence General Hospital reported a patient reported being assaulted in Andover.

11:32 p.m., a Holt Road resident reported that her house was on fire. All occupants got out of the house.

Friday, April 2 – From 5:28 a.m., to 8 a.m., there were reports of flooding on Brook Street, Abbot Street, High Street and High Plain Road.

At 9:56 a.m., a person came into the station to report identity theft.

At 11:56 p.m., Merrimack College reported needing assistance with crowd control behind a dorm. Andover and North Andover both sent officers.

Saturday, April 3 – At 10:24 a.m., a man fell on the sidewalk on Chestnut Street, hurting his knee, and he was unable to get up. An Andover Police detective said there were potholes in the sidewalk that could have caused the accident.

At 6:48 p.m., there was a noise complaint regarding bagpipes playing for more than two hours.

Sunday, April 4 – At 11:32 a.m., there was a report of an 11-year-old girl hurting herself by biting herself.

At 1:32 p.m., there was a sex offense reported on Andover Street.

At 8:40 p.m., a Whittier Street resident called from Boston reporting he thought he left a stove burner on. Andover firefighters were able to gain entry and turn it off.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Thursday, April 1 – At 5:38 a.m., a man reported four tires taken from his car on River Street.

ACCIDENTS

Friday, April 2 – At 1:22 p.m., there was an accident on Andover Street and someone was injured.

Monday, April 5 – At 1:01 p.m., there was a three-car accident on Lowell Street. Four were transported to the hospital. (See story at right.)

VANDALISM

There were no reports of vandalism this week.

COMPILED BY BEN HELLMAN

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Two sports utility vehicles collided near the intersection of Route 133 and Greenwood and Lovejoy Roads. Police said that impact forced the smaller SUV into a third vehicle on the other side of Route 133.

Police: Car flips after running red

Three-car accident on Route 133 sends three drivers to hospital

By Ben Hellman

A three-car accident at the intersection of Lowell Street and Greenwood Road ended with a large SUV flipping over on Monday, said Andover Police. The drivers of all three cars received citations in the accident, and all were brought to the hospital.

Around 1:20 p.m. on Monday, a Toyota Landcruiser ran a red light coming off Greenwood Road and struck another mid-sized sports utility vehicle that was driving east on Lowell Street, Route 133, said Lt. Kevin Winters. The Landcruiser forced the second SUV into the westbound lane and into a third vehicle, he said. The Landcruiser was flipped onto its roof by the impact.

The driver of the Landcruiser, Nicolette Heavey, 41, of Cloverfield Drive, was given a citation for running a red light, said police. They reported that the driver of the second SUV, Leawang Geo, 44, of Chandler Road, was issued a citation for having a child in the car not properly restrained by a seat belt.

The driver of the third car, Marcelino Afonso, 23, of Brockton, was found to be driving with a suspended license. He was arrested Tuesday evening when he went to pick up his car, as there was a warrant for his arrest on motor-vehicle charges, said police

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Andover safety officials towed all three cars involved in the accident, including the Toyota Landcruiser that flipped over onto its roof.

The three drivers escaped serious injury, and the child who allegedly was not properly restrained did not sustain injuries, said police. All three cars were towed from the scene.

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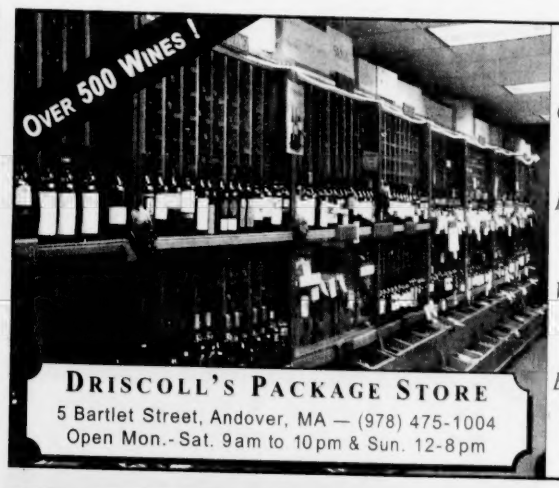

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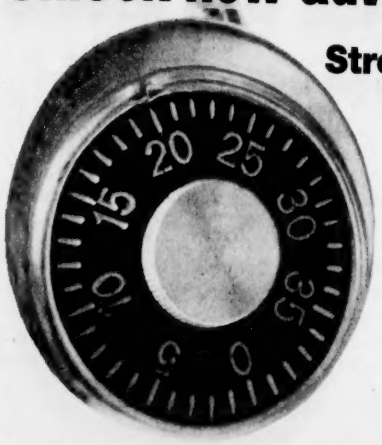

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"It's huge. Look at what we pay in insurance rates. I'm sure a third of that must be because of fraud. Lawrence is higher than Andover, but we all subsidize these claims," said Hashem.

In fact, while the average Andover auto-insurance bill is $910.85, $73.18 of this subsidizes Lawrence residents' bills. And they still pay an average of more than $2,000. Many in Lawrence pay more for their car insurance than they pay in property taxes, said Tucker.

How important a problem is this fraud to people across the state?

Rates throughout Massachusetts are affected by fraud. If the gay marriage debate hadn't dominated the legislature, new fraud legislation probably already would have been approved. Tucker soon will propose new laws to allow insurance companies and individuals to collect significant cash from people shown to be involved in scams. She also wants to make it a crime to pay "runners" to recruit people to be involved in fraud.

"The fact is you're not just ripping off some insurance company. You're ripping off your neighbor. We have to change the culture in urban areas where this is happening, and, No. 2, go after the ring leaders," said Tucker.

How widespread is auto insurance fraud?

Police can't get away from it even when they're off duty.

An apple given, a community extended to autistic boy

Editor, *Townsman:*

At the recent town elections, an unnamed man working at the Precinct 5 check-in table performed a random act of kindness that needs to be recognized – and celebrated.

At around 5:45 p.m., I arrived to vote with my autistic son beside me. Jeff is a happy boy but often expresses himself in noises or clenched hands because his flawed brain has trouble shaping thoughts into words out of a meager 50-word vocabulary. He tries hard to "behave nicely," yet is highly impulsive and basically clueless to other people. Last Tuesday was his 10th birthday, and he was excited. There had been his favorite breakfast, a big "Happy Birthday" poster from his sister, cupcakes for school that he'd proudly decorated himself, and a few hidden tears from Mom and Dad over the beautiful boy who is, yet the dreams lost of what he might be. We had skipped his afternoon snack so we could hurry through the afternoon in time for a special dinner.

As I penciled in my votes, Jeff spied an apple at the check-in table, dashed over and, before I could catch him, took a bite. The man checking in voters looked up, stunned. I rushed over with apologies and fevered explanations that my son was autistic and what this means, but the man held out a hand to stop my chatter and calmly said, "No problem." He then proceeded to introduce himself to Jeff, wait what felt like an eternity while I made Jeff say the "Hello, my name is Jeff" line we'd rehearsed for years, then told Jeff with great dignity that he could have the apple and he was proud to meet him.

April is National Autism Month, so the kind man's lesson in tolerance was timely.

Autism affects one in 250 individuals and even for the most high-functioning cases, severely compromises their ability to behave in ways we consider normal and appropriate. While our family works devotedly to help Jeff learn the rules of living in civilized society, it is a game of progress, not perfection. On bad days, it's like bailing out the ocean with a thimble. On good days, the sun shines and we take great pride in the small milestones in our journey up the mountain toward where we are meant to be. On really good days, like the Tuesday election day, we take comfort that the vast majority of people are far more tolerant of our son's challenges than we ever would have imagined.

I am exceedingly grateful to that nameless man, and so many like him, who accept people's differences – including autism – with a grace that welcomes them into the broader community.

Mary Kae Marinac
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LETTERS

SOCCER DECISION

Defenders, take field for top coach

Editor, *Townsman:*

I have known Dick Loschi, Andover High School varsity soccer coach, for several years through the high school program. My oldest daughter played for him and now my youngest daughter will be a senior captain on the team next fall.

Loschi is one of those coaches who actually gets what high school sports are about. He is a kind and generous man who works tirelessly for the good of the whole team. It's not just a fall-season job for him. He works year round, scheduling competitive non-league games, attending numerous meetings with all the soccer association boards that he is on, both locally and nationally. If there is a player who wants to play in college, Loschi is the man to talk to. Countless hours are spent contacting college coaches, sending letters of recommendation for the players, sending out the schedule of games and inviting the coaches to observe the players. I can't even begin to add up the number of hours spent on the things he does that nobody sees.

As most coaches know, the dynamics of a team change each year. Jim Hurley, the former athletic director, knew this. Complaining parents and players come and go each year. He also knew it's not about individual players, it's about a *team*. It's different now.

In the opinion of one of the two new athletic directors at AHS, it is in the best interest of the team to not renew Dick Loschi's contract. It appears the reason is because he believes the coach did not have a good rapport with some soccer players. Why are we assuming it was the coach's fault?

The problem with the team this past year was not the coach. It was players and parents concerned about playing time for certain players and gaining publicity for individuals, rather than the team. I'm starting to think if the parents all stayed home from the games and just heard about them from their children when they came home, everybody would be better off.

If such reasons are enough to sink a coach who has been with the AHS program since 1980, a proven winning coach, then it is a sad state of affairs. The other coaches at AHS should stand beside Loschi and throw their support to him because they could be next.

His teams have won the MVLC Championship 14 times, Div. 1 North Championship twice, been a state champion, this past year earned the MV League Team Sportsmanship Award, and in 1999 the MIAA Outstanding Sportsmanship Award. His individual Honors include Mass State Coach of the Year, Eastern Mass Coach of the Year four times, MVLC Coach of the Year seven times, and Boston Globe Coach of the Year twice. It's possible I left some out. But all you need to do is look at his impressive resume to understand what I am trying to say.

I hope going public with this will help Loschi in his battle to keep coaching at AHS. Maybe others who read this will contact the school department's leaders. The many good things Loschi has done over the years should weigh in on this decision. It is not fair what is happening and I just wanted to get the word out there. There will be a meeting of the School Committee (executive session) soon to make a decision. People need to be heard who support him, not just those with negative things to say. It's only fair. The town absolutely cannot let a few players and their parents have this much power. The floodgates will be opened and there may not be too many good coaches left standing for next year.

Stephanie Smith
21 Cuba St.

Fighting terrorism, warming at the gasoline pump

Editor, *Townsman:*

For many Americans, waiting for the next terrorist attack is one long nightmare. Where will it occur, when will it happen? The fear and paranoia push some of us almost over the edge.

Some ask, "why do *they* hate us?"; and others answer, "because *they* are jealous of our way of life and hate democracy." By my reckoning and based on public files maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, terrorism has been alive and well in the US for at least 35 years for many reasons, more than just jealousy and hatred of democracy.

In addition, there is a common denominator that pervades the current onslaught of terrorism in the world: terrorism is often financed by petrodollars. Much of the journalistic fiction saturating the US mainstream media today says the only way to combat terrorism is to "bring the fight to them over there," not here. There are those who say there is not much we can do about the current spike in gasoline prices here in the US.

I say "balderdash" to the fear mongers and nay-sayers. By cutting our demand for oil, we can cut off the terrorists' money supply, reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and even begin to fight global warming. But, like castor oil, the remedy will not be to our liking.

As Dorothy found out after the twister hit the farm, she wasn't in Kansas any longer. Like Dorothy in the land of Oz, we are living in a fantasy world. Our fantasy world allows for run-away consumption, unprecedented borrowing by consumers and the US Treasury, and a roll-back of important environmental protections. There are those who seek to provide truth and fact about the consequences, but we seem to be responding with a "ho-hum."

What are we teaching our children? What kind of a world will we leave as a legacy? Envision these as possible scenarios for the future: driving to the Cape to enjoy an unspoiled beach only to find that the beach is gone, a victim of rising ocean levels; wanting to buy that special ocean-front condominium with an awesome view only to learn it is in danger of being engulfed by Cape Cod Bay; or seeing US crop yields dealt a devastating blow by persistent drought and extreme weather conditions. Is this the future we want for the next generation of Americans?

The "castor oil" solution is really simple: use less energy, especially gasoline.

Why should we change our behavior? It is the only rational thing to do.

Reducing gasoline consumption removes a vital funding source for terrorists, lowers dependence on foreign imports, helps stabilize fuel prices and begins to combat the steadily increasing effects of global warming. Like Dorothy, we must return to Kansas from the land of Oz. We must lower our fuel consumption by driving less and demanding better gas mileage.

I recall the moans and groans of the US auto industry in the early 1970s with the onset of mandated auto efficiency standards. When Detroit finally woke up, they had lost a significant amount of market share to the fuel-efficient vehicles manufactured by European and Japanese automakers.

Today, history is repeating itself: Detroit is pressuring Congress to avoid new energy-efficiency standards, and Japanese automakers have rolled out highly efficient electric/gas hybrid automobiles capable of attaining 40 or more miles per gallon. Again, US automakers are poised to take it on the chin by dwelling on the past and ignoring the future. This is no time for myopic corporate thinking – the long-term view, with more fuel-efficient vehicles, will be the money-maker.

What should we do in the meantime? Get rid of the SUVs.

Since each one of us is a polluter, we each have a responsibility to reduce oil consumption, to help eliminate world terrorism and mitigate the effects of global warming, to maintain the pristine condition of our beautiful parks and wild areas, and to leave things a little better than we inherited.

So, return to Kansas, reduce dependence on oil, and show that America continues to be the leader the community of nations believes in and desperately needs. We can do it.

John F. Zipeto
14 Canterbury St.

More than sports

Editor, *Townsman:*

As the mother of four young children, I continue to marvel at the quality of the numerous town athletic programs that are offered and staffed by adult volunteers here in Andover.

My son just completed his second year of the Andover Hockey Association Initiation Program. I am convinced that the men who run this top notch program could teach any child of any ability not only how to skate, but to skate well. The children develop athletic skills that are ultimately transferable to any sport. More importantly, the coaches teach and coach in a way that develops self-confidence, self-esteem and a sense of accomplishment for the individual child, as well as the whole team.

Karen Giangrande
4 Sunset Rock Road

Teachers deserve high marks, raise

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Selectmen and School Committee members:

I am writing to cast my support for the teachers of Andover. They are hard working, professional individuals who give their best every day for our children, and they deserve a raise. I know many educators in Andover and they are all heroes. It is time that we recognize them as such and reward them for the critical job that they perform in our community. Imagine this town if the schools were not as extraordinary. Teachers are a huge part of Andover's success, and they have earned our respect. Let's show them how much we care.

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AAA Merrimack Valley will observe Earth Day, April 22, by asking area motorists to bring used lead-acid vehicle batteries to specially created collection sites at their district offices on April 22, 23 and 24. Used batteries often turn up in garages, backyards and storage sheds, where they may create environmental and safety hazards. AAA calls this event the "AAA Great Battery Roundup."

"The lead-acid battery is crucial to modern automotive technology and is easily recycled if disposed of properly," said Eleanor A. Gannuscio, director of public affairs, AAA Merrimack Valley. "Motorists can make sure used batteries are safely returned to recycling plants by bringing them to AAA Merrimack Valley's collection points for shipment."

With an estimated 285 million vehicles on the road in North America, the proper disposal of vehicle batteries is crucial to a healthy environment. Some used batteries are illegally disposed of in dumps and water sources, but others are simply sitting in a forgotten corner of someone's property, where they could contaminate soil and ground water, explode in a fire or become a source of lead poisoning to humans and animals.

Nearly 99 percent of each vehicle battery can be recycled and used again without removing new lead or other natural resources from the environment. Each battery returned will generate funds toward a charitable donation to the Friends of Parker River based in Newburyport, a nonprofit organization that focuses on promoting the conservation of the natural resources of the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge.

Residents may bring auto batteries to AAA Merrimack Valley's collection sites on April 22 and 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Local collection sites are at AAA offices in North Andover at 49 Orchard Hill Road., tel.: 978-946-0432; and in Lawrence at 155 Parker St., tel.: 978-681-9200. The Lawrence site is also open on Saturday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. AAA also has collection sites in Lowell, Haverhill and Newburyport.

AAA Merrimack Valley requests people wear gloves and safety glasses when handling batteries, keep them upright and place batteries in a sturdy box or plastic container when transporting them for recycling. If the battery case is cracked or leaking, be especially careful to choose a leak-proof container. Do not smoke near or expose the batteries to an open flame, and make certain they will not shift and tip over in a moving vehicle.

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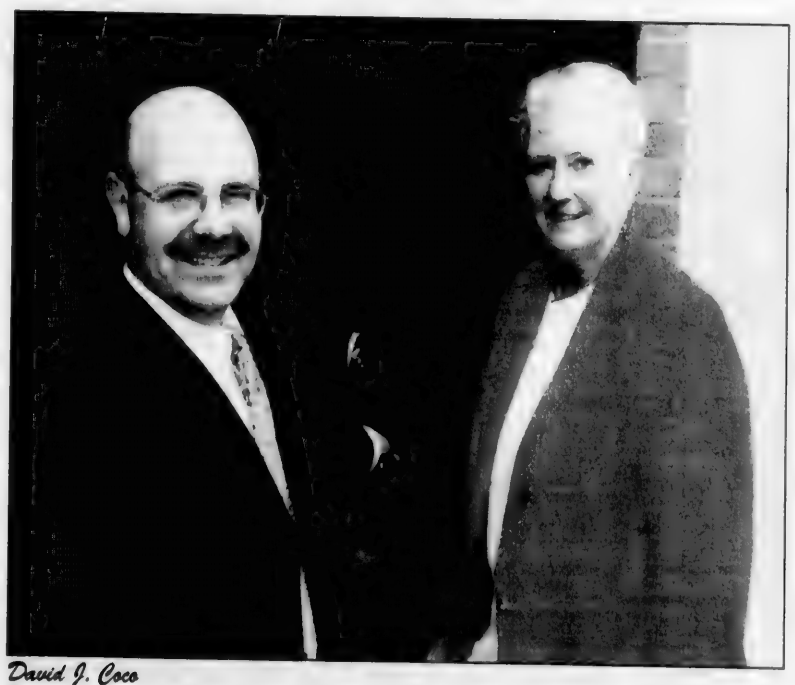

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"It's so clear this is an issue that affects everyone," said state Sen. Sue Tucker, who represents both Andover and Lawrence. "It happens in the cities, but the big bucks are (going to) people who live in big houses in the suburbs."

How bad has it gotten in Lawrence?

There are piles of statistics. For every 100 accidents in the state, 43 injuries are reported. For every 100 accidents in Lawrence, 141 injuries are reported. "Many of these are 'jump-ins,' people who weren't actually in the car when the accident happened," said Tucker.

"It's huge. Look at what we pay in insurance rates. I'm sure a third of that must be because of fraud. Lawrence is higher than Andover, but we all subsidize these claims," said Hashem.

In fact, while the average Andover auto-insurance bill is $910.85, $73.18 of this subsidizes Lawrence residents' bills. And they still pay an average of more than $2,000. Many in Lawrence pay more for their car insurance than they pay in property taxes, said Tucker.

How important a problem is this fraud to people across the state?

Rates throughout Massachusetts are affected by fraud. If the gay marriage debate hadn't dominated the legislature, new fraud legislation probably already would have been approved. Tucker soon will propose new laws to allow insurance companies and individuals to collect significant cash from people shown to be involved in scams. She also wants to make it a crime to pay "runners" to recruit people to be involved in fraud.

"The fact is you're not just ripping off some insurance company. You're ripping off your neighbor. We have to change the culture in urban areas where this is happening, and, No. 2, go after the ring leaders," said Tucker.

How widespread is auto insurance fraud?

Police can't get away from it even when they're off duty.

An apple given, a community extended to autistic boy

Editor, *Townsman:*

At the recent town elections, an unnamed man working at the Precinct 5 check-in table performed a random act of kindness that needs to be recognized – and celebrated.

At around 5:45 p.m., I arrived to vote with my autistic son beside me. Jeff is a happy boy but often expresses himself in noises or clenched hands because his flawed brain has trouble shaping thoughts into words out of a meager 50-word vocabulary. He tries hard to "behave nicely," yet is highly impulsive and basically clueless to other people. Last Tuesday was his 10th birthday, and he was excited. There had been his favorite breakfast, a big "Happy Birthday" poster from his sister, cupcakes for school that he'd proudly decorated himself, and a few hidden tears from Mom and Dad over the beautiful boy who is, yet the dreams lost of what he might be. We had skipped his afternoon snack so we could hurry through the afternoon in time for a special dinner.

As I penciled in my votes, Jeff spied an apple at the check-in table, dashed over and, before I could catch him, took a bite. The man checking in voters looked up, stunned. I rushed over with apologies and fevered explanations that my son was autistic and what this means, but the man held out a hand to stop my chatter and calmly said, "No problem." He then proceeded to introduce himself to Jeff, wait what felt like an eternity while I made Jeff say the "Hello, my name is Jeff" line we'd rehearsed for years, then told Jeff with great dignity that he could have the apple and he was proud to meet him.

April is National Autism Month, so the kind man's lesson in tolerance was timely.

Autism affects one in 250 individuals and even for the most high-functioning cases, severely compromises their ability to behave in ways we consider normal and appropriate. While our family works devotedly to help Jeff learn the rules of living in civilized society, it is a game of progress, not perfection. On bad days, it's like bailing out the ocean with a thimble. On good days, the sun shines and we take great pride in the small milestones in our journey up the mountain toward where we are meant to be. On really good days, like the Tuesday election day, we take comfort that the vast majority of people are far more tolerant of our son's challenges than we ever would have imagined.

I am exceedingly grateful to that nameless man, and so many like him, who accept people's differences – including autism – with a grace that welcomes them into the broader community.

Mary Kae Marinac
9 Sevilla Road

LETTERS

SOCCER DECISION

Defenders, take field for top coach

Editor, *Townsman:*

I have known Dick Loschi, Andover High School varsity soccer coach, for several years through the high school program. My oldest daughter played for him and now my youngest daughter will be a senior captain on the team next fall.

Loschi is one of those coaches who actually gets what high school sports are about. He is a kind and generous man who works tirelessly for the good of the whole team. It's not just a fall-season job for him. He works year round, scheduling competitive non-league games, attending numerous meetings with all the soccer association boards that he is on, both locally and nationally. If there is a player who wants to play in college, Loschi is the man to talk to. Countless hours are spent contacting college coaches, sending letters of recommendation for the players, sending out the schedule of games and inviting the coaches to observe the players. I can't even begin to add up the number of hours spent on the things he does that nobody sees.

As most coaches know, the dynamics of a team change each year. Jim Hurley, the former athletic director, knew this. Complaining parents and players come and go each year. He also knew it's not about individual players, it's about a *team*. It's different now.

In the opinion of one of the two new athletic directors at AHS, it is in the best interest of the team to not renew Dick Loschi's contract. It appears the reason is because he believes the coach did not have a good rapport with some soccer players. Why are we assuming it was the coach's fault?

The problem with the team this past year was not the coach. It was players and parents concerned about playing time for certain players and gaining publicity for individuals, rather than the team. I'm starting to think if the parents all stayed home from the games and just heard about them from their children when they came home, everybody would be better off.

If such reasons are enough to sink a coach who has been with the AHS program since 1980, a proven winning coach, then it is a sad state of affairs. The other coaches at AHS should stand beside Loschi and throw their support to him because they could be next.

His teams have won the MVLC Championship 14 times, Div. 1 North Championship twice, been a state champion, this past year earned the MV League Team Sportsmanship Award, and in 1999 the MIAA Outstanding Sportsmanship Award. His individual Honors include Mass State Coach of the Year, Eastern Mass Coach of the Year four times, MVLC Coach of the Year seven times, and Boston Globe Coach of the Year twice. It's possible I left some out. But all you need to do is look at his impressive resume to understand what I am trying to say.

I hope going public with this will help Loschi in his battle to keep coaching at AHS. Maybe others who read this will contact the school department's leaders. The many good things Loschi has done over the years should weigh in on this decision. It is not fair what is happening and I just wanted to get the word out there. There will be a meeting of the School Committee (executive session) soon to make a decision. People need to be heard who support him, not just those with negative things to say. It's only fair. The town absolutely cannot let a few players and their parents have this much power. The floodgates will be opened and there may not be too many good coaches left standing for next year.

Stephanie Smith
21 Cuba St.

Fighting terrorism, warming at the gasoline pump

Editor, *Townsman:*

For many Americans, waiting for the next terrorist attack is one long nightmare. Where will it occur, when will it happen? The fear and paranoia push some of us almost over the edge.

Some ask, "why do *they* hate us?"; and others answer, "because *they* are jealous of our way of life and hate democracy." By my reckoning and based on public files maintained by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, terrorism has been alive and well in the US for at least 35 years for many reasons, more than just jealousy and hatred of democracy.

In addition, there is a common denominator that pervades the current onslaught of terrorism in the world: terrorism is often financed by petrodollars. Much of the journalistic fiction saturating the US mainstream media today says the only way to combat terrorism is to "bring the fight to them over there," not here. There are those who say there is not much we can do about the current spike in gasoline prices here in the US.

I say "balderdash" to the fear mongers and nay-sayers. By cutting our demand for oil, we can cut off the terrorists' money supply, reduce our dependence on foreign oil, and even begin to fight global warming. But, like castor oil, the remedy will not be to our liking.

As Dorothy found out after the twister hit the farm, she wasn't in Kansas any longer. Like Dorothy in the land of Oz, we are living in a fantasy world. Our fantasy world allows for run-away consumption, unprecedented borrowing by consumers and the US Treasury, and a roll-back of important environmental protections. There are those who seek to provide truth and fact about the consequences, but we seem to be responding with a "ho-hum."

What are we teaching our children? What kind of a world will we leave as a legacy? Envision these as possible scenarios for the future: driving to the Cape to enjoy an unspoiled beach only to find that the beach is gone, a victim of rising ocean levels; wanting to buy that special ocean-front condominium with an awesome view only to learn it is in danger of being engulfed by Cape Cod Bay; or seeing US crop yields dealt a devastating blow by persistent drought and extreme weather conditions. Is this the future we want for the next generation of Americans?

The "castor oil" solution is really simple: use less energy, especially gasoline.

Why should we change our behavior? It is the only rational thing to do.

Reducing gasoline consumption removes a vital funding source for terrorists, lowers dependence on foreign imports, helps stabilize fuel prices and begins to combat the steadily increasing effects of global warming. Like Dorothy, we must return to Kansas from the land of Oz. We must lower our fuel consumption by driving less and demanding better gas mileage.

I recall the moans and groans of the US auto industry in the early 1970s with the onset of mandated auto efficiency standards. When Detroit finally woke up, they had lost a significant amount of market share to the fuel-efficient vehicles manufactured by European and Japanese automakers.

Today, history is repeating itself: Detroit is pressuring Congress to avoid new energy-efficiency standards, and Japanese automakers have rolled out highly efficient electric/gas hybrid automobiles capable of attaining 40 or more miles per gallon. Again, US automakers are poised to take it on the chin by dwelling on the past and ignoring the future. This is no time for myopic corporate thinking – the long-term view, with more fuel-efficient vehicles, will be the money-maker.

What should we do in the meantime? Get rid of the SUVs.

Since each one of us is a polluter, we each have a responsibility to reduce oil consumption, to help eliminate world terrorism and mitigate the effects of global warming, to maintain the pristine condition of our beautiful parks and wild areas, and to leave things a little better than we inherited.

So, return to Kansas, reduce dependence on oil, and show that America continues to be the leader the community of nations believes in and desperately needs. We can do it.

John F. Zipeto
14 Canterbury St.

More than sports

Editor, *Townsman:*

As the mother of four young children, I continue to marvel at the quality of the numerous town athletic programs that are offered and staffed by adult volunteers here in Andover.

My son just completed his second year of the Andover Hockey Association Initiation Program. I am convinced that the men who run this top notch program could teach any child of any ability not only how to skate, but to skate well. The children develop athletic skills that are ultimately transferable to any sport. More importantly, the coaches teach and coach in a way that develops self-confidence, self-esteem and a sense of accomplishment for the individual child, as well as the whole team.

Karen Giangrande
4 Sunset Rock Road

Teachers deserve high marks, raise

Editor, *Townsman:*

Selectmen and School Committee members:

I am writing to cast my support for the teachers of Andover. They are hard working, professional individuals who give their best every day for our children, and they deserve a raise. I know many educators in Andover and they are all heroes. It is time that we recognize them as such and reward them for the critical job that they perform in our community. Imagine this town if the schools were not as extraordinary. Teachers are a huge part of Andover's success, and they have earned our respect. Let's show them how much we care.

Eric Saum
Princeton Avenue

LETTERS POLICY

THE *Townsman* accepts letters to the editor from the community. Letters must be typed and no longer than two, double-spaced pages. All letter writers must include addresses and phone numbers with their letters. The phone numbers will not be published.

The paper reserves the right to edit letters at its discretion. Reasons for editing include editing for length, clarity and style.

Letters should be received by the *Townsman* by Monday at 5 p.m. for consideration in that week's paper. They may be sent by mail, fax or e-mail. Letters sent by e-mail should be sent to editor Neil Fater at nfater@andovertownsman.com, and must be sent as text in an e-mail, not as an e-mail attachment.

As a general rule, the paper does not publish anonymous letters or thank-you letters. It also does not publish letters for candidates in the issue prior to an election.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE COLUMN

Turn in old car batteries during AAA's Great Roundup on Earth Day weekend

AAA Merrimack Valley will observe Earth Day, April 22, by asking area motorists to bring used lead-acid vehicle batteries to specially created collection sites at their district offices on April 22, 23 and 24. Used batteries often turn up in garages, backyards and storage sheds, where they may create environmental and safety hazards. AAA calls this event the "AAA Great Battery Roundup."

"The lead-acid battery is crucial to modern automotive technology and is easily recycled if disposed of properly," said Eleanor A. Gannuscio, director of public affairs, AAA Merrimack Valley. "Motorists can make sure used batteries are safely returned to recycling plants by bringing them to AAA Merrimack Valley's collection points for shipment."

With an estimated 285 million vehicles on the road in North America, the proper disposal of vehicle batteries is crucial to a healthy environment. Some used batteries are illegally disposed of in dumps and water sources, but others are simply sitting in a forgotten corner of someone's property, where they could contaminate soil and ground water, explode in a fire or become a source of lead poisoning to humans and animals.

Nearly 99 percent of each vehicle battery can be recycled and used again without removing new lead or other natural resources from the environment. Each battery returned will generate funds toward a charitable donation to the Friends of Parker River based in Newburyport, a nonprofit organization that focuses on promoting the conservation of the natural resources of the Parker River National Wildlife Refuge.

Residents may bring auto batteries to AAA Merrimack Valley's collection sites on April 22 and 23 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Local collection sites are at AAA offices in North Andover at 49 Orchard Hill Road., tel.: 978-946-0432; and in Lawrence at 155 Parker St., tel.: 978-681-9200. The Lawrence site is also open on Saturday, April 24, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. AAA also has collection sites in Lowell, Haverhill and Newburyport.

AAA Merrimack Valley requests people wear gloves and safety glasses when handling batteries, keep them upright and place batteries in a sturdy box or plastic container when transporting them for recycling. If the battery case is cracked or leaking, be especially careful to choose a leak-proof container. Do not smoke near or expose the batteries to an open flame, and make certain they will not shift and tip over in a moving vehicle.

– Adapted by Andover Recycling Committee member Sharon Magnuson from an article that appeared in the March-April issue of the AAA Valley News.

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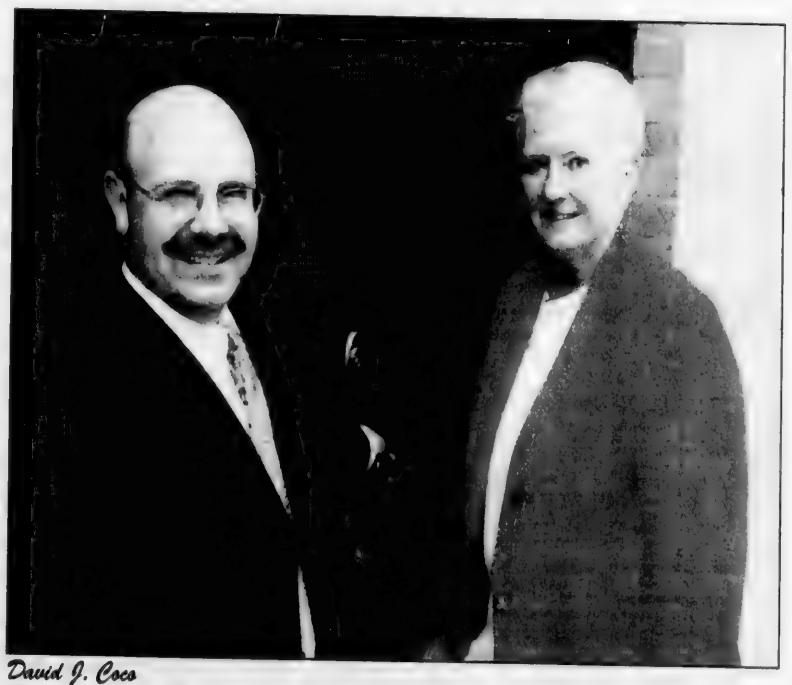

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OBITUARIES

John Brian Caldwell

Punchard grad worked for the FAA

John Brian Caldwell, 71, formerly of Andover, died suddenly Wednesday, March 31 in Washington, D.C.

He worked for the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in Washington, D.C. and recently attended his 50th class reunion of Punchard High School.

Members of his family include his wife, Rosemarie Caldwell of Washington, D.C.; a sister, Elizabeth Karam of Andover; and two nieces.

Memorial Masses will be said Sunday, April 11 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Lucy Church in Methuen, and on Thursday, April 15 at noon at St. Augustine Church, Andover.

James H. Eaton III

Attorney, sailor, fisherman and skier

James H. Eaton III, 77, formerly of Andover and Kennebunkport, Maine, died Sunday, April 4 of cancer at his home in Yarmouth, Maine.

Born in Winchester, Mr. Eaton was educated in Andover and graduated from Governor Dummer Academy in Byfield.

He served in the Navy during World War II in the Pacific Theater. After his discharge from the Navy, he attended Norwich University and received his undergraduate degree from Boston University.

He received his law degree from Portia Law School (now New England School of Law).

Mr. Eaton was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in 1957. He practiced law with Eaton & Chandler, the firm founded by his grandfather in 1898, until his retirement in 2003.

While with the firm Eaton & Chandler (now Oakley, O'Sullivan & Eaton, P.C.), Mr. Eaton was a member of the Massachusetts Bar Association, the Lawrence Bar Association, the Essex County Bar Association and the Real Estate Bar Association of Massachusetts. He also was a member and past president of the Merrimack Valley Conveyancer's Association.

For many years he was General Counsel and Clerk of the First Essex Savings Bank.

Mr. Eaton was an avid sailor, fisherman and skier. His love of sailing and fishing grew from his many summers at his family's summer home in Kennebunkport, Maine. He sailed the Caribbean and the South Pacific as first mate aboard the 96-foot Brigantine *Yankee* in 1953-54.

Mr. Eaton enjoyed skiing with his family and was a coach of the Andover Buddy Werner League.

Members of his family include his wife of 50 years, Nancy (Nelb) Eaton; four children, James H. Eaton IV of Yarmouth, Maine, Gregory N. Eaton of Hampstead, N.H., Pamela J. Eaton of Andover, and Gilman F. Eaton of Bridgewater, N.J.; and seven grandchildren.

A memorial service is planned for a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lawrence General Hospital, Lawrence; or to a charity of one's choice.

Helen Patterson

Was a secretary for Merrimack Mutual

Helen (Schneider) Patterson of Portsmouth, N.H. and formerly of Andover, died Wednesday, March 31 at Edgewood Manor Nursing Home in Portsmouth.

She was a secretary for Merrimack Mutual Insurance in Andover and volunteered at Lawrence General Hospital, Portsmouth Hospital and Strawbery Banke in Portsmouth.

Born and educated in Lawrence, Mrs. Patterson she was a longtime resident of Andover and moved to Rye, N.H. after retiring. She was a member of the Rye Driftwood Garden Club.

She was the widow of Irving H. Patterson.

Members of her family include nieces, Mary Coughlin of Lawrence, Bernice Flynn of Ojai, Calif., and Barbara Cubeta of Middletown, Conn.; and several grandnieces and grandnephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements were by Emmert & Dewhirst Funeral Home, 93 E. Haverhill St., Lawrence.

Charles Julian Beard

Law partner, trustee of Phillips Academy

Charles Julian Beard II, 60, of Lexington, a partner at a Boston law firm, died Tuesday, March 30 at Youville Hospital and Rehabilitation Center in Cambridge after a lengthy battle with cancer.

Born and raised in Detroit, Mich., he graduated from Phillips Academy in Andover, Harvard University and Harvard Law School. In 2001, he received a doctor of laws honorary degree from Emerson College. He was a longtime Lexington resident.

After graduation, he served as assistant commissioner for community services for the Boston Model City Administration.

In 1974, he joined Foley Hoag, LLP and became a partner in 1979. Mr. Beard was a nationally recognized authority in cable television regulation and business law.

In 2001, he was honored by the Boston Lawyers Group as the first African-American to be named a partner in a major Boston firm.

Mr. Beard was dedicated to community service and education and served on numerous community and professional boards. He was chairman of the board of trustees of WGBH, charter trustee of Phillips Academy, director of Blue Cross/Blue Sheild of Massachusetts, director of the Partnership Inc., trustee of Frances Emily Hunt Trust and trustee of Elizabeth Childs Murphy Trust. He also served as chairman of the board of trustees of Emerson College from 1991-2001.

Members of his family include his wife, Vivian (Cromwell) Beard; a son, James Beard of Lexington; two sisters, Carolyn Beard Whitlow of Greensboro, N.C., and Cynthia Watts of La Plata, Md.; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

OBITUARIES

The *Townsman* will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

The paper also will publish without charge a short announcement of those people who died and did not live here, but are related to someone who lives in Andover. This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

Those who wish to have a complete obituary published about a person who did not live in Andover can pay for a death notice. The cost of a death notice depends on the length of the notice.

Questions? Call Jack Grady or Neil Fater at 978-475-7000.

DEATHS

Edna B. Alouf, 90
Charles J. Beard II, 60
John Brian Caldwell, 71
James H. Eaton III, 77
Barbara P. McCarty, 57
Phyllis C. McGovern, 89
Marilyn R. O'Connor, 75
Helen Patterson
Teresa A. Sidney, 69
Valerie A. Watson, 53

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

ALOUF — Edna B. (Boshar) Alouf, 90, of North Andover, died Friday, April 2 at the Meadows in North Andover. Members of her family include her brother, John Boshar of Andover.

McGOVERN — Phyllis Callahan McGovern, 89, a longtime resident of Lawrence and Methuen, died Friday, April 2 at D'Youville Manor in Lowell. Members of her family include her daughter, Patricia McGovern of Andover.

SIDNEY — Teresa A. (Endyke) Sidney, 69, of Salem, N.H. died Thursday, April 1 at Lawrence General Hospital. She taught math and science at Greater Lawrence Technical School in Andover for many years.

WATSON — Valerie A. (Bazdanes) Watson, 53, of Danville, N.H. died Tuesday, April 6 at Lawrence General Hospital in Lawrence. She worked for several years as a data transcriber at the Internal Revenue Service and later as a bookkeeper for several area companies, including the Shawsheen Printing Co. in Andover.

Barbara P. McCarty

Worked at Fidelity House and CLASS

Barbara P. McCarty, 57, of Methuen and educated in Andover, died Tuesday, March 30 at Fidelity House.

She worked at Fidelity House for many years, where she received residential services. She also worked for CLASS and was a member of their Human Rights Committee.

Born in Lowell, Ms. McCarty attended Hogan Regional Center in Danvers.

Members of her family include her stepmother, Daisy McCarty of Haverhill; and several cousins.

Arrangements were by John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence.

Marilyn R. O'Connor

Retired supervisor for New England Telephone

Marilyn R. (Miller) O'Connor, 75, of Falmouth and formerly of Lawrence and Andover, died suddenly Thursday, April 1.

Raised in Roxbury, Mrs. O'Connor graduated from Roxbury High School and attended Merrimack College. She lived in Lawrence for many years while raising her family and working as a supervisor for New England Telephone Co. When she retired, she lived in Falmouth during the summer and West Palm Beach, Fla., during the winter.

She was the widow of John T. O'Connor.

Members of her family include her children, Keith T. O'Connor of Medford, Susan A. Tardif of Atkinson, N.H., Maureen Whalen of Englewood, Fla., Alane Barrett of Center Harbor, N.H., Kerry A. Armstrong of Englewood, Jaye C. Favata of Englewood and Kelly O. Siegwalt of Hampstead, N.H.; sisters, Jeanne M. Kelley of Bal Harbor, Fla., Barbara Lucas of Andover, Sandra Martin of East Falmouth and Sheila McGowan of East Falmouth; 15 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was the sister of the late Doris Sawicki, Thomas Miller and Wayne Miller.

Arrangements were by Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, 475 Main St., Falmouth Center. For an online guest book, visit www.ccgfuneralhome.com.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 330 Congress St., Fifth Floor, Boston, MA 02210.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

50 Years Ago – 1954

Andover property owners will not receive water bills in April nor will there be any water meter readings this month. This new policy was adopted by the Board of Public Works, which decided that instead of sending out semi-annual accounts, the bill for water will be issued only once a year.

The Men's Club of Ballardvale Methodist Church sponsored a meeting attended by men of the Congregational Church last Friday night at which a merger of the two churches was discussed.

Patrolman Alfred M. Robb of the Andover Police Department won the highest individual honors in the New England Police Revolver League postal matches held during the past winter months, and the local teams in the league won high places in their classes.

The majority of the townspeople present at the Central Elementary School on Monday night favored the relocation of Route 28 through the westerly part of town, a short distance further west of the tentative route proposed by the state department of public works.

From an editorial: Herbert Hoover finds no reason to fear another Depression. In a recent address he said: "I believe that due to scientific discovery, invention and improvement of productivity methods, our present industrial plants can support the present standard of living of our people and, beyond that, can produce some surpluses."

Ann White, daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Francis W. White, 15 Wolcott Ave., and Carol F. Reigy, 36 Elm St., members of the seventh grade at St. Augustine School, recently received honors in music from the school after playing successfully works of Heller, Mozart, Beethoven and Bach, as well as modern composers.

Mrs. Herbert Kent of 182 Andover St., Ballardvale, celebrated her 85th birthday at a small family supper at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Herbert Folley of Essex Street, last Monday evening. She received many pretty cards of greeting from her many friends throughout Essex County.

The selectmen have issued a proclamation calling upon the citizens of Andover to support the cancer crusade through contributions through the month of April, which has been designated by Congress as Cancer Month.

Gov. Christian A. Herter paid a visit to the exposition and aquatic show presented by the Boy Scouts of Great Lawrence at the Case Memorial Cage at Phillips Academy last Saturday afternoon and evening. It is estimated that well over 4,000 persons attended the event.

25 Years Ago – 1979

The first major addition to retail space in downtown Andover is about to get underway.

Rampant vandalism in Andover reached its peak last weekend with $100,000 worth of destruction at the Phillips Academy boat house behind the vocational school off River Road.

Maggie Kuhn, 72-year-old convener of the Gray Panthers national advocacy group, will bring her message – ageism is a destructive force permeating our society – to the Merrimack Valley on Wednesday, May 2.

Memorial Hall Library names five persons in Andover "Success Stories" and honored them at a reception held in the library last Sunday afternoon.

The School Committee and selectmen agreed Tuesday night to present their recommended budgets to Town Meeting first – in hopes of a two-thirds vote that would override tax-cap legislation – rather than start at tax-cap level and build their budgets up again.

Robert McQuade, director of the department of public works, suggested Monday that selectmen draft a bylaw that would make raking leaves into the streets illegal, and have it ready for approval at the October Town Meeting.

Selectmen will consider at their next regular meeting raising the charge on unpaid water bills from $1 to $2, at the request of Treasurer-Collector Myron H. Muise.

A petition, signed by 27 concerned citizens and requesting a fence be built to separate school property from private property behind Andover High School, was received and discussed by selectmen in conference session Monday.

The Merrimack Valley group of the Massachusetts Lupus Foundation will present Dr. Michael Miniter of Tufts New England Medical Center at the Bon Secours Hospital, Methuen, Wednesday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m.

The Annual Science Night Project presentations at West Junior High will be held this year on Tuesday evening, April 10, at 7:30 in the school cafeteria and science labs.

Cheryl Renee Pruneau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Pruneau, College Circle, Andover, has been accepted into the membership of the organization of outstanding young Americans.

10 Years Ago – 1994

Town Meeting begins this Monday night, April 11, at 7 in Dunn Gymnasium at Andover High School. The meeting is scheduled to last three nights, also starting 7 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday nights. James D. Doherty, town moderator, has said he will try to stop the meeting by 10:30 each night.

On stormy days, South School students are sometimes excused from class to get pails to collect the rain water leaking from the roof. At Sanborn, as in many Andover elementary schools, instructors teach students in closet spaces.

Selectmen voted 3-2 on April 1 against supporting the proposed tobacco control bylaw that would ban smoking in all restaurants, municipal buildings and retail stores in town.

Susan Stott, president of Andover Community Trust, responded Monday night to allegations made at a selectmen's meeting two weeks ago that members of the land trust misused their positions in town to have an article removed from next week's Town Meeting warrant.

There will be approximately 104 fewer train whistles blown each week in Andover from now on.

The Andover Council on Aging Monday night asked selectmen to withdraw the article on the Town Meeting warrant that was aimed at acquiring a piece of land on South Main Street as the site for a new senior center.

Selectmen voted last week to support the proposed pooper-scooper bylaw at Town Meeting. Most of the residents the *Townsman* found walking their dogs, or just walking, this week agreed with the board.

From a letter to the editor: Thursday night I attended a Parent to Parent forum at which a group of articulate, enthusiastic students described their new Youth Services Council. They are clearly and understandably enthralled with Bill Fahey, who has been hired to work directly with youth in the community in this innovative effort.

Andover High School baseball is both feared and revered in rival cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth.

– Compiled by Townsman intern Kyra Auffermann

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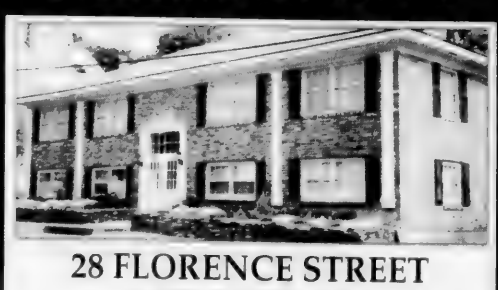
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TOWN TALK

Turkey... for Easter?

Comanche Place residents had a special guest this Easter week. Not a rabbit – a turkey.

"We have a cockatoo that always announces if something or someone is coming down the driveway. It was going wild," said Liz Hsu on Tuesday.

When her husband, Huan Hsu, looked outside, he saw a turkey landing on the driveway.

The Hsus actually had two turkeys on their property around noontime on Tuesday. The peeping "Toms" later approached the house and looked in the windows, so the Hsus snapped a couple of pictures.

Liz Hsu said a larger group of wild turkeys made an appearance in the neighborhood a few years ago, close to Thanksgiving Day. But to see a turkey around Easter? "This time, I was surprised," she said.

– Neil Fater

Geography? He's got it covered

Krishnan Chandra

Apparently, there's no *Andover Townman* cover jinx.

Just like a sports star, Andover's top geography student Krishnan Chandra made the cover (page 1) of last week's *Townsman* and discussed his strategy to win the Massachusetts State Geography Bee. The next day, last Friday, he went out and won it.

Some professional athletes dread making the cover of the popular sports magazine *Sports Illustrated*, because players have hit a slump after the appearance – creating the belief there is an *SI* cover jinx. Krishnan had no such problems.

The geography bee was a nailbiter, according to his mom, Prema Ramachandran, who said the tie-breaker went four or five rounds. She said she was relieved when it was finally over as Krishnan correctly answered this question: Since gaining independence from the Netherlands in 1975, Dutch Guyana has been known by what name? The answer is Suriname.

"Someone asked me if I wanted to be interviewed after the bee. I said all I did was get him some food and bought the geography books. I'm actually bad at geography," said Prema Ramachandran, politely declining an interview.

Krishnan's dad is Venkat Chandra and the family lives on Crescent Drive.

Krishnan, 11 and a sixth-grader at West Middle School, is back to hitting the geography books as he will represent the state in the National Geographic Bee in Washington, D.C. on May 25 and 26. He will vie for the National Geographic Bee crown and the top prize of a $25,000 college scholarship and lifetime membership in the National Geographic Society. (The second- and third-place winners in the national competition receive a $15,000 and $10,000 scholarship respectively.)

"I can't predict how I'll do in that one," he said. "I'm just back to studying and spending my money."

He got $100 for the state win and treated himself to new video games.

– Judy Wakefield

Switched! again

Those who missed an Andover High School student's appearance on reality TV will have another chance to see him tomorrow, Friday, April 9. Justin Samuels, a sophomore at Andover High School, will be featured on ABC Family's TV show *Switched!* on Friday at 5 p.m.

Samuels switched places with a boy named Sip (last name withheld by ABC), a sophomore at Clairemont High School in San Diego for a weekend.

Remembering Ruth

...at Ballardvale's first-ever preservation awards

By Judy Wakefield

When residents wanted to know about the history of their Ballardvale property, they turned to Ruth Davis Sharpe, known as the heart and soul of historic Ballardvale. Sharpe could rattle off historic tidbits about the Vale on a moment's notice, while her dry humor could evoke belly laughs.

Sharpe – a lifelong Vale resident from 1911 to 2003 – is by no means forgotten, especially among Ballardvale historic buffs. In spite of the torrential rain last Thursday night, nearly 80 town residents with Vale connections turned out for the Ballardvale Historic District Spring Social and Awards Program, a first-ever event held in Sharpe's honor.

The Ballardvale Historic District Commission recognized Sharpe posthumously for her Ballardvale pride, with the establishment of a preservation award in her name. The commission has blossomed in recent years by encouraging preservation in this southern part of town with a deep working-class and mill history.

Shape's son, Cliff Sharpe of Derry, N.H., accepted a plaque honoring Sharpe. "I'm impressed with how they have remembered her. A lot of effort went into this," he said. "It's really, really a joy to be here."

At the event, Robert and Stephanie Branca of West Andover received the historic commission's first Ruth Davis Sharpe Preservation Award. They had purchased 200 Andover St. – what some described as "a wretched old building" – and restored the building to its exposed brick elegance. Appropriately, the event was held in this just-restored Andover Street mill building, near the Ballardvale MBTA stop.

Robert Branca, who owns nearby Andover Electric Co., said the restoration project was a labor of love coupled with a lot of sweat equity. The Brancas enjoy researching the history of old buildings and fixing them up, he said. Their building officially opened last November and has one tenant, a small international management consulting firm housed on the second floor. The first floor is an open lobby space and served as a perfect spot for this event.

Ruth Sharpe's sons, Ralph Sharpe (left) and Cliff Sharpe, were proud to accept the plaque honoring their mother posthumously for her Ballardvale neighborhood pride.

Stephanie Branca, a local realtor, noted her first stop after buying the troubled property was a meeting with Ruth Sharpe, who of course knew about the building's historical value. In fact, Sharpe had worked on the building's second floor when it housed Whipple Manufacturing in the early 1900s.

"We didn't know what was here and it was Ruth who told us about it," said Branca. "There was world-class manufacturing happening here in this area. There is so much history in this blue-collar area and I think it's important to preserve it.

"This building has charm and it has a soul," she said.

Chris Huntress, a Tewksbury Street resident and chairman of the Ballardvale Historic District Commission, said Sharpe "was the soul of Ballardvale and was custodian of its history." The first-ever Ballardvale Historic District Spring Social, with its heavy emphasis on Ballardvale preservation, was an appropriate tribute to her, he said.

Also recognized at the event were the works of Charles Sheeler, an artist who favored the mills of Ballardvale and was an artist-in-residence at Phillips Academy. James Sheldon, a professor at Emerson College and a Ballardvale resident, presented a slide show of Sheeler's work.

Meanwhile, Richard Bowen told the crowd about the history of Ballardvale pottery. He displayed seven pottery pieces that dated back to the turn of the century, including one that looked like a water cooler, but was used to hold liquor.

A video on Ballardvale history narrated by Sharpe also was shown.

It was the Vale's night to shine through the rain, and this event made sure it did just that.

James Sheldon, a professor at Emerson College who lives in the Vale, presented a slide show featuring mill scenes of Ballardvale by artist Charles Sheeler.

Ballardvale's first-ever event honoring preservation in that neighborhood was held appropriately in the restored mill on Andover Street that once housed Whipple Manufacturing. Pictured here are the mill's restorers, Bob and Stephanie Branca with son, Christopher, all of Andover.

Word fans cast spell on AFE crowd to benefit education

Last Friday at Wood Hill Middle School, more than 20 teams of four adults competed, attempting to correctly spell this year's selection of challenging words. Representing four different periods of history for the Andover Historical Society's team are Diane Hender, Lynn Smiledge, Gail Reynolds and Elaine Zopes.

Costumes were encouraged for both the teams and their supporters in the audience. Above, the Wood Hill Bombshells That Spell — Patricia Gregory, Elizabeth Schairer, Laura Leach and Joan Veznaian — didn't bomb after all, coming in second. The High Plain Drifters/Hoppers won the AFE Spirit Award.

The West Elementary Goodspellas — Martha Tubinis, Kelly Doherty, Mary Miller and Nancy Ross — spelled challenging words such as *speleology* to win the Andover Fund for Education Spelling Bee, and the trophy, two years in a row.

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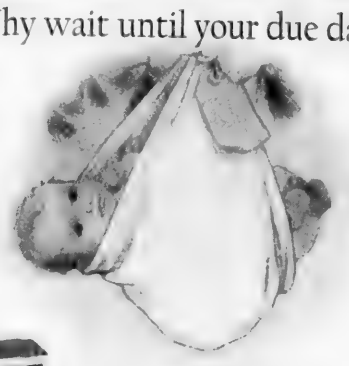

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MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY NEWS

By Norma Gammon
Community service coordinator, Memorial Hall Library

HERE ARE SOME of the activities coming up at Memorial Hall Library this month.

All programs are sponsored by the Friends of Memorial Hall Library.

CULTURAL EVENTS

All events are free.

Tuesday, April 13, 7 p.m.
THINK SPRING
Perennials: Spring to Frost

Leo Blanchette is the owner, operator, and also the propagator of Blanchette Gardens in Carlisle, a nursery specializing in perennials, with plants for almost every site and condition. Blanchette Gardens features many rare and unusual varieties.

A former teacher, Blanchette has lectured to numerous groups throughout the US as well as in Canada and Japan. He has been featured on three television episodes of Discovery Channel's *Home Matters*.

He has also written numerous articles for a number of national gardening magazines, including *Horticulture* and *Better Homes and Gardens*.

Blanchette will have a slide presentation on how perennial borders can provide a continuation of bloom and multi-seasonal interest. This will be an opportunity to observe disease- and insect-resistant perennials for areas of full sun and moderate shade. Proven techniques for maintaining attractive borders throughout seasons will also be discussed.

SUNDAY CONCERT

Sunday April 25, 2 p.m.
Jennie Mulqueen
Conscious Cabaret

"Modulating Dreams" is the second in an ongoing series of Conscious Cabaret, founded by Jennie Mulqueen in 2003. As a performing artist, Mulqueen has always been interested in using the arts to raise social issues and create civic dialogue. "Modulating Dreams" is a cabaret of autobiographical stories woven with songs by composers including Victor Herbert (*I Want to be a Prima Donna*), Jerome Kern and Oscar Hammerstein (*The Folks Who Live on the Hill*), Jason Brown (*Stars and the Moon*), and a local up-and-coming songwriter, Monica Bauer.

Mulqueen holds a degree in voice performance from Northwestern University and an master's degree in creative arts in learning from Lesley College. During the day, she is a professional music educator working in early childhood music and the Suzuki method.

EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

April 7, 7:15 p.m. (*after presstime*)
REMAINS OF THE DAY,
Kazuo Ishiguro

May 5, 7:15 p.m.
KITE RUNNER,
Khaled Hosseini

MORNING BOOK DISCUSSION

April 26, 10:30 a.m.
AMSTERDAM,
Ian McEwan

GREAT BOOKS

April 27, 7:30 p.m.
THE WAY OF ALL FLESH,
Samuel Butler

FRIENDS OF MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY BOOK SALE:

Annual book sale is April 16, 17, 18 during regular library hours.
(Preview Night is Thursday, April 15, from 6:30 to 8:30. Admission is $20.)

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

This year's Spring Fling hosted by the **Andona Society** was a "tremendous success," organizers said. With 359 middle-school children attended the event, all of the public and private middle schools in Andover were represented, including **West, Doherty, Wood Hill, St. Augustine, Pike** and **Montessori**.

The event was held Saturday, April 3 from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Many children particularly enjoyed the Bungee Run, Moonwalk and Inflatable Boxing. Some children used the YMCA pool for part of the evening (see photo at right), supervised by Y lifeguards. All of the children enjoyed the DJ and dancing as well as the free pizza, snacks, baked goods, and soda, organizers reported. There were dance contests for the best and worst male and female dancers.

Raffle prizes were also awarded including many items donated by local merchants.

The event was staged by committee members **Mina Patel** (chairwoman), **Jennifer DiVincenzo, Althea Wagman-Bolster, Adele Manty** and **Jackie Jacobs**.

Andona members volunteered to staff the event and to donate food. The YMCA staff also provided many extra hands to keep things running smoothly, according to organizers.

COURTESY PHOTO
Making a splash at Spring Fling are, from left (front row) Colin J. Trepicchio, Noah A. Kurinzky and John A. Perone; (back row) Jack T. Pantely and Broc C. Broccoli. A total of 359 middle school children attended Andona's party for middle-school students at the YMCA.

The Department of Community Services is offers a multitude of summer programs during July and August, everything from sailing and tennis, to crafts, dog obedience and children's theater. Registration for the first phase of DCS summer programs began April 1 at **Town Offices** on Bartlet Street during regular office hours. Program descriptions can be found on Andover's home page at www.town.andover.ma.us/dcs, or in flyers at Town Offices.

The Greater Lawrence unit of the **American Cancer Society** will hold a "Look Good... Feel Better" seminar Monday, April 19, from 9 a.m. to noon at **Caritas Holy Family Hospital**, 70 East St. Methuen. The workshop will be held in classroom 2 on the sub-ground floor at the rear of hospital, to the left of the MRI entrance. This seminar is free and open to the public; however pre-registration is required. To register, call **Patty Riley** at 978-463-2438.

Helping those less fortunate: Andover students with a lock on generosity

Kate and Anne Farnham (above), twin fourth-graders at West Elementary School, wanted to cut their hair and give it to Locks of Love, a Florida-based, non-profit group that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children under age 18 suffering from long-term medical hair loss. The identical twins wanted to give it to someone who really needs it, said their parents, Jayne and Mark Farnham of Chandler Circle. And on Thursday, March 18, Christa Douvadjian (above right and inset), of 5 Fairway Drive, a seventh-grader at the Carroll School in Lincoln, had 10-plus inches of her hair cut off at Laschi Hair Stylists in Reading. Except for a few trims, Christa reportedly had never cut her hair. When she turned 13, on March 15, she wanted to cut her hair and donate her ponytail to a cancer-related cause. Christa got the idea to donate her ponytail when her older sister, Erica, did the same thing two years ago while a senior at Andover High School.

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St. Augustine Church
43 Essex St., Andover
978-475-0050

HOLY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., Mass of the Lord's Supper.

GOOD FRIDAY: Ecumenical prayer walk, 8:30-10 a.m., leaving from St. Augustine; 3 p.m., Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m., Liturgy of the Word.

HOLY SATURDAY: 7:30 p.m., Easter vigil celebration.

EASTER SUNDAY: Masses, 8, 9:30, 10 a.m., upper church; Collegiate Church of Christ the Teacher, Merrimack College, 8, and 10 a.m. (No 5:30 p.m. Liturgy on Easter Sunday).

St. Robert Bellarmine Church
Haggetts Pond Road
Andover
978-683-8922

HOLY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Driscoll Hall (until 11 p.m.); 11 p.m., Night Prayer (Compline).

GOOD FRIDAY: 9 a.m., Morning Prayer; 3 p.m., Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m., Liturgy of Passion and Death of the Lord.

HOLY SATURDAY: 9 a.m., Morning Prayer; 8 p.m., Solemn Easter Vigil (Assemble at Easter Fire).

EASTER SUNDAY: 6 a.m., Easter Sunrise Mass (parish lawn, weather permitting, bring a lawn chair); Masses, 7:30, 9, 11 a.m.

St. Joseph's Church
22 High Vale Lane
Ballardvale
978-475-0050

EASTER SUNDAY: Masses, 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; (No 5:30 p.m. Liturgy on Easter Sunday).

Congregational
Free Christian Church
31 Elm St., Andover
978-475-0700

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m. Candlelight Communion service (Childcare available for infants through age 4).

GOOD FRIDAY: Ecumenical prayer walk, 8:30-10 a.m., leaving from St. Augustine Church.

EASTER SUNDAY: 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m., worship services (Childcare available for infants through age 4).

Episcopal
Christ Church
25 Central St., Andover
978-475-0529

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., Holy Eucharist with Foot Washing, stripping of the Altar, reservation of the Sacrament. Vigil continues in the Moses Chapel until midnight.

GOOD FRIDAY: 7:30 p.m., Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.

HOLY SATURDAY: 9 a.m., Liturgy for Holy Saturday – North Chapel; 8 p.m., The Great Vigil of Easter with Baptism.

EASTER SUNDAY: 8 a.m., Holy Baptism and Eucharist with festival music; 10 a.m., Holy Eucharist with festival music.

Interdenominational
BrookRidge Community Church
3 Dundee Park, Andover
978-749-3640

HOLY SATURDAY: 2 to 4 p.m., "Cruise into Spring" Spring/Easter Celebration, in the Park at Bartlet and Chestnut streets, family-friendly event includes games for children. Call or check out www.brookridge.org for more information.

New England Bible Church
60 Chandler Road, Andover
978-475-4381

GOOD FRIDAY: 7:30 p.m. service.

EASTER SUNDAY: 6 a.m., Easter Sunrise Service, held at Holt Hill on the Ward Reservation in Andover; 10 a.m., Sunday service.

Lutheran
Faith Lutheran Church
360 S. Main St., Andover
978-475-4059

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY: Way of the Cross (stop in anytime between 2:30 and 5 p.m.; worship service at 7 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY Services including Eucharist: 8 and 9:30 a.m., traditional worship services; 11 a.m., contemporary worship with a praise band.

Unitarian
Unitarian
Universalist Congregation in Andover
6 Locke St., Andover
978-475-4454

EASTER SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m. service.

United Church of Christ
South Church
41 Central St., Andover
978-475-0321

MAUNDY THURSDAY 6:45 – 7:15 p.m., Traditional Service of Foot Washing, in Fellowship Hall. 7:30 p.m., Memorial of the Last Supper Communion Service.

GOOD FRIDAY: Ecumenical prayer walk, 8:30-10 a.m., leaving from St. Augustine Church.

EASTER SUNDAY: 6:30 a.m., Sunrise Service at Missionary Rock on the Phillips Academy campus Easter breakfast. 7 – 8:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall; 9, 10:30 a.m., Easter services, with trumpet, bell choir, sanctuary choir; children welcome at all services, infant care available only at 9 and 10:30 services.

West Parish Church
129 Reservation Road
Andover
978-475-3528

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 6:30 p.m., Family service, communion and dinner.

GOOD FRIDAY: 7 p.m., Good Friday concert.

EASTER SUNDAY; 9, 11 a.m. ("In the Garden")

United Methodist
Ballardvale United Church
(United Methodist and
United Church of Christ)
23 Clark Road, Andover
978-475-2506

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., Tenebrae service with Holy Communion.

EASTER SUNDAY: 10:30, "...And So Are You!" Festive service of Easter and Holy Communion.

Good Friday Prayer Walk takes place tomorrow, April 9

Everyone is invited to join neighbors and friends of all ages on Andover's annual Good Friday Prayer Walk tomorrow, Friday, April 9, beginning outside St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St. Coffee and hot cross buns will be served from 8:15a.m.

The two-mile walk heads from St. Augustine Church to West Middle School, along Stevens Street to Marland Place and the Post Office, up Main Street to the Elm Square war memorial, Old Town Hall and Town Offices on Bartlet Street, then back to St. Augustine Church via South Church on Central Street by 10:30 a.m. Clergy from St. Augustine, Free Christian, Ballardvale United, Andover Baptist, South, West Parish and Christ churches will read from the gospel accounts of the crucifixion and lead prayers for aspects of Andover town life at eight stations along the way.

Organizers Roselle and David Heckendorn said past prayer walks have attracted up to 150 people, including many families. People are welcome to participate for as much of the walk as they can manage, they said

For further information, call 978-470-2651

FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker
Andover Senior Center

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center.

Fix-It Shop: The fix-it shop volunteers will be back at the center Monday, April 12 from 1:30 to 3: 30 p.m. The men will be happy to take a look at any small household item or appliance in need of repair.

Brown Bag Lunch/Lecture: Fred Rice, a regular presenter at the center, will be with us Wednesday, April 28 at noon for a slide show and lecture on the Continental Divide. Come and enjoy views of trails and alpine meadows of the Tetons and Rockies. Pre-register for $2. Bring a bag lunch, we'll supply dessert and beverages.

Massage Therapy: Got those stiff muscles and joints? Make an appointment for a seated upper-body chair massage. Appointments are available on Monday mornings for a reduced fee of $12 for a 20-minute appointment. Great for muscle aches and pains as well as relaxation benefits.

Museum of Science Trip: The center will sponsor a trip to the Museum of Science for the new Einstein exhibit Thursday, April 29. The museum is one of only four locations worldwide that will display Einstein's original documents.The trip will also include viewing the *Lewis & Clark Adventure* at the Omni Theater as well as a buffet lunch at the Galaxy Cafe and bus transportation from the center. Total cost is $40; a great trip at a great price. Stop into the center if you would like to sign-up.

E-mail and Internet Classes: Two e-mail classes (one session each) are scheduled for April 15 and 22, and a two-session class on the Internet will begin April 29. Call the center if you would like further information, or stop in to register. Cost of the e-mail class is $10; and $20 for the Internet course.

Woodcarving Class: Fred Arakelian will be back to offer his spring session of woodcarving beginning Monday, April 12 at 9 a.m. Some carving experience is helpful, but instruction is available. Register (for $25) prior to the first class.

"Taking A Chance On Life": Come explore the many possibilities of how one can make life more enjoyable and satisfying. This six-week class will begin Thursday, April 22 from 1 to 2 p.m. Cost is $15; instructor is Ed Alessi.

Stoneham Theater: The center will offer a trip to the Stoneham Theater on Sunday, April 17 to enjoy the play *The Sweepers*. Set right in the North End of Boston during WWII, it tells the tale of three immigrant families. The bus will leave the center at 7 p.m., and the cost of the trip is $38.

There's Something About Andover, a senior-produced and directed cable channel 8 TV show, can be seen on at 7 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and at 9 a.m. every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The April show will feature a discussion with Marlies Zammuto, Council on Aging chairwoman, and Selectwoman Mary Lyman, on the COA survey results and new senior center design plans.

Alzheimer's Support Group: The Alzheimer's support group will meet at the center next Monday evening, April 12, at 7 p.m. Newcomers are welcome. For more information, contact Kristine Arakelian at the senior center.

Men's Breakfast: The next meeting of our men's group will take place Friday, April 16 at 8:30 a.m. After breakfast, the speaker will be B.T. Kang who will present a lecture and slide show on "Rural Life In Nigeria," where Kang spent almost 30 years. Reservations ($3) may be made by calling the center.

Hearing Screening: The Northeast Rehabilitation Health Network will conduct a free hearing screening at the senior center Monday, April 26 from 1 to 4 p.m. Appointments are necessary, so call the center to see about space availability if you would like to be seen.

"Managing Your Weight For Better Health": Nutritionist Jean Lussier will offer a two-session weight-management class beginning Tuesday, April 27 at 1 p.m. There is no charge for the class, but pre-registration is necessary.

An Artful Afternoon: The senior center will be open Sunday, May 2 from 1 to 3 p.m. for an open house and art exhibit showcasing the work of the many talented people in our art group. Everyone is welcome to stop in and enjoy the variety of work that will be on display. Call to register so that we can plan our space needs appropriately. Refreshments will be served.

Sunday Concert: The senior center has a limited number of tickets available for the Sunday, May 2 performance of *Music From the Common Man*, which will be held at the Rogers Center at Merrimack College at 2:30 p.m. Featured will be the Merrimack Valley Philharmonic Orchestra as well as the Treble Chorus of New England. Ticket cost is $9 if purchased through the senior center.

Betsy Williams at AARP April 13

THE ANDOVER-NORTH ANDOVER AARP WILL FEATURE a talk on "container gardening" by Betsy Williams of Chestnut Street at its April 13 meeting. It will be held at the Senior Center, Whittier Court, Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.

"Anybody can have a container garden," says Williams. "You don't need to own land or have a garden. All you need is containers and some dirt. You can put them on your doorstep, on your terrace. You don't have to wait until the time of frosts is past because you can bring them indoors. You can grow flowers, or herbs. You can grow tomatoes. And you can start next week."

Williams is known for helping brides, condo owners, apartment renters and others bring flowers and herbs into their lives. She regularly offers lessons, organizers said.

Members of national AARP can become members of this local chapter. Meetings are held September through June. At every meeting, there is a speaker, refreshments and an opportunity to meet with friends.

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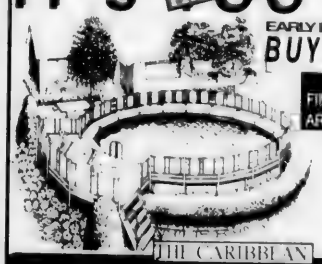
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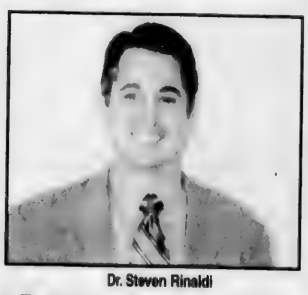
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Business

BRIEFS

Cappello promoted at Southern New Hampshire University

Gina Cappello of Andover was recently promoted to vice president of institutional advancement at Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester. She served formerly as interim vice president of institutional advancement.

Cappello was hired by SNHU in 2000 as a grants officer and was quickly promoted to director of foundation and corporate relations.

Szabo promoted at town bank

Martha Szabo has been promoted to officer/branch manager of Enterprise Bank's new branch located at 63 Park St. in Andover.

Martha Szabo

Szabo has more than 15 years banking experience in the Merrimack Valley and joined Enterprise Bank in 1998. She has held a variety of positions within the branch administration division of the bank. In addition to managing the bank's branch operations area, she excelled at promoting Enterprise Bank's sales culture and played an integral role in the recent branch network expansion. Szabo attended Franklin Pierce College.

In announcing the appointment, Chairman George Duncan said, "Our Andover customers will benefit from Martha's strong understanding of our deep commitment to customer service. We are proud to have such a talented and highly-skilled professional open our new Andover office. Her knowledge and experience will be a tremendous asset to our customers."

Enterprise Bank has locations in Lowell, Billerica, Chelmsford, Dracut, Fitchburg, Leominster, Tewksbury and Westford.

Sievers named director, quality improvement/risk management

Theresa Dunn Sievers has been appointed director of quality improvement and risk management at Caritas Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center. A registered nurse, she is a member of the Massachusetts Organization of Nurse Executives, Association of Pediatric Oncology Nurses and was associate member of the Children's Oncology Group.

In 2001, Sievers received the Partners in Excellence Award at North Shore Medical Center, where she most recently served as administrative director. Prior to that, she was the director of pediatric oncology nursing at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston. She also held a staff nurse position at Children's Hospital.

In addition to earning her bachelor and master of science degrees at Boston University, Sievers received a pediatric nurse practitioner certificate from Simmons College in 2004.

Fantini named Greater Boston Real Estate Board officer

The Greater Boston Real Estate Board recently named its leaders during the annual installation of officers at Boston's Omni Parker House. Among the new officers is Andover resident George J. Fantini Jr., of Fantini & Gorga/iCap Realty Advisors, who will serve as assistant treasurer for 2004.

New board president Brian Kavoogian's priorities for his term include raising the level of GBREB's involvement in the state and Boston elected officials' efforts to create more housing.

DeMille joins Savings Bank

Coleen DeMille has joined the Savings Bank's team of professional lenders as senior mortgage originator, according to an announcement made by Kathleen Beaulieu, senior vice president.

Coleen DeMille

DeMille brings more than 12 years of residential lending experience to the Savings Bank. Throughout her career she has been responsible for counseling home buyers, originating first mortgage loan applications, processing and underwriting. At the Savings Bank, DeMille will specialize in working with local real estate brokers to originate residential mortgage loans.

What employers need to know

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce Human Resource Association will present "OSHA – What Employers Need To Know" on Thursday, April 15 from 8:30 to 10:15 a.m. at the Andover Country Club, 60 Canterbury St. The cost is $20 for members and $35 for non-members. This event is co-sponsored by Bay State Eye in Andover.

Call 978-686-0900 for more information.

PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Organizers of the new event, Andover Day, Elaine Zopes (driver's seat) and Ron Hill, show off the antique car the Andover Historical Society will raffle off on June 19.

Bazaar Days morphs into new event

'Andover Day' on June 19 won't close Main Street, will have events in Park

By Judy Wakefield

Bazaar Days, an Andover tradition, has been reincarnated with a new name, a new location and no plans to shut down Main Street.

Bazaar Days was a Father's Day weekend shopping event with a 40-plus year history that closed down Main Street for a full weekend in June. Bazaar Days is officially dead – canceled for the first time this year – but a new event called Andover Day is set to take its place.

Andover Day will be held for just one day, on Saturday, June 19.

Three local groups – the Department of Community Services, Andover Cultural Committee and the Andover Historical Society – are teaming to offer a variety of events geared to family members of all ages on Andover Day. All events will be held in the Park at the corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets, not on Main Street, so downtown businesses will not be interrupted. That was a complaint of downtown merchants, who said Bazaar Days crowds had fizzled over the past few years and the weekend street shutdown was making them lose business.

Ron Hill, president of the Andover Chamber of Commerce, has said Bazaar Days had been "on a steady decline for years" and it was time for something new. That something new has arrived, although specific plans about events and hours are still being worked on.

What is for certain is the name change for the downtown business group. Instead of Andover Center Association, it is now called the Andover Business Center Association. Former president Tom Keefe, who owns a downtown travel agency, is no longer president and a new board is in the works. Hill said officers should be announced soon. Andover's many downtown banks will be getting more involved, he also said.

The Andover Historical Society, which is housed on Main Street, looked forward to the Bazaar Days sidewalk event and when it got canceled, members started thinking of alternatives.

"We just started forming (plans) around our event that was already announced," explained Elaine Zopes, historical society director. "And, Daher's is still doing the big shoe sale and people wanted to do something around that, too."

The historical society had already planned to host an antique car show and raffle on June 19. The cars will parade on Main Street and settle in the Park for public viewing after the parade. There, the Department of Community Services will have activities for kids, while the Andover Cultural Council will sponsor numerous performances.

Committee member Mark Spencer said no groups have been booked yet, but townspeople can expect to see singers and dancers performing.

"The historical society really blazed the trail," Spencer said of Andover Day. "It's great that different groups are coming together to make this community event happen."

Mary Donohue of DCS said back in January she wrote to downtown businesses looking to get more involved with Bazaar Days. Now it's Andover Day, and that suits her department just fine.

"We're always looking for ways to raise revenue," she said. "And, the kid component was missing, so we are doing it. There will be moonwalk-type activities and lots of other activities that people will pay for. We'll be set up in the Park, too."

Andover Day organizers will be announcing specific plans soon.

LOCAL SUPPORT FOR ALS (LOU GEHRIG'S DISEASE)

Glenn Ordway (far left), host of The Big Show on WEEI 850 AM Sports Radio, presents a check for $20,000 to representatives from the ALS Association Massachusetts Chapter at the WEEI studios in Brighton. Accepting the check are ALS special events coordinator Scott Edelstein (center) and ALS president and CEO Rick Arrowood of Andover (right). The money was raised for ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, at the Second Annual WEEI Whiney Awards hosted by Ordway.

Andover residents Helaine Palmer, second from right, and Joseph Ruma, right, attended the fourth annual dinner of the Angel Fund, an independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease) research at Massachusetts General Hospital. This year's event was held in conjunction with a three-day symposium and workshop at the Boston Park Plaza attended by 35 internationally renowned researchers and physicians from six continents. Dr. Robert H. Brown Jr., left, director of the Cecil B. Day Neuromuscular Research Center at Massachusetts General Hospital, welcomed the Rumas to the dinner along with symposium coordinator and Angel Fund director Jan Nigro, second from left, and Angel Fund founding director Eugene Nigro, center.

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Sports

AHS ROUNDUP

Spring weather, tennis teams win big

Warrior tennis teams net five 5-0 victories in early action; track kicks off with pair of wins

By Rick Harrison

The recent spate of rain forced postponement of several early-season Andover High athletic events.

The AHS girls tennis team, meanwhile, was able to gallop to a trio of 5-0 wins over non-league Burlington and Merrimack Valley Conference rivals Billerica and Lawrence High.

Boys tennis also recorded a pair of 5-0 victories against Billerica and Lawrence.

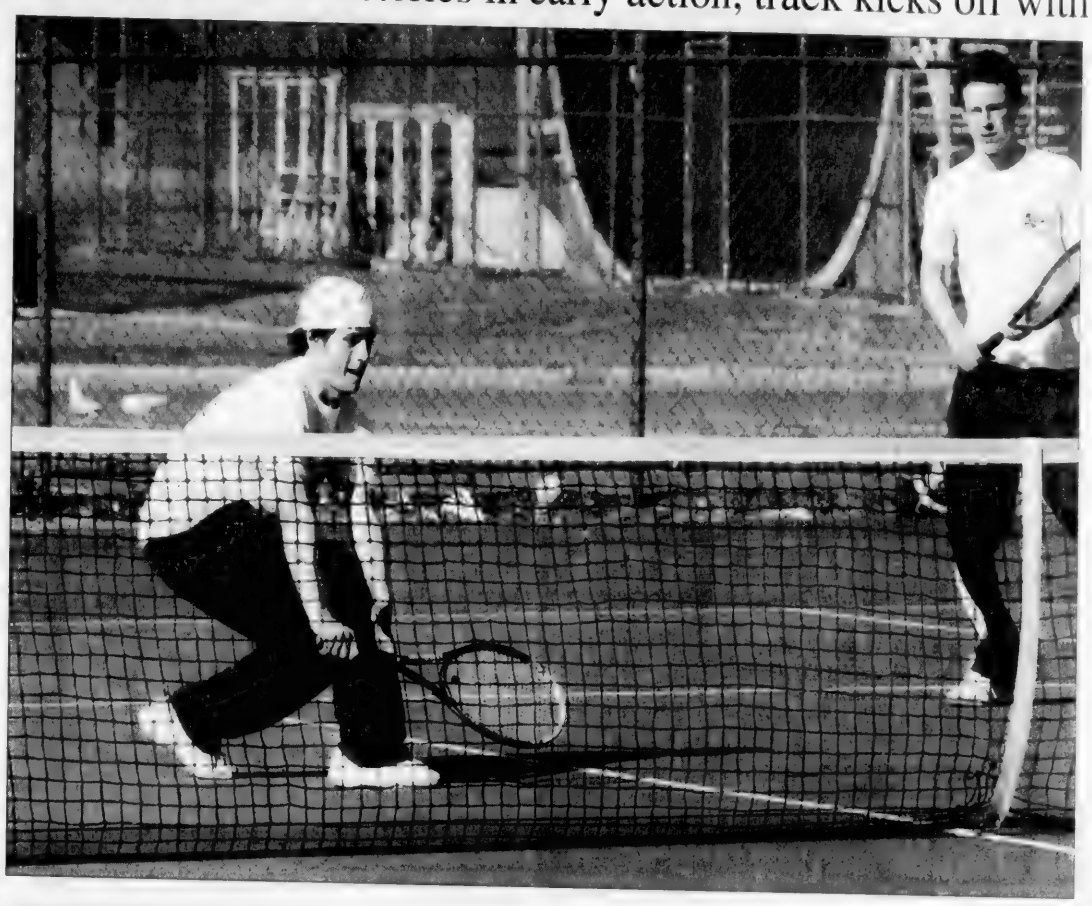
Boys volleyball, indoors and unaffected by the weather, faced one of the top teams in the state and dropped a 2-0 decision to Lawrence High.

Both Andover track teams kicked off the season by rolling to dual-meet MVC crossover wins against Lawrence High.

Several Golden Warrior teams were scheduled for action yesterday, after *Townsman* presstime, if playing conditions warranted.

Baseball and softball were on the road at Revere and Everett respectively, and the volleyballers were at Chelmsford.

This afternoon (Thursday), girls and boys track were slated to host Methuen at the Lovely Field oval, baseball opens play in the Wakefield Tournament against Saugus, softball hosts Tewksbury in its home opener, girls lacrosse opens at home versus Beverly and volleyball meets Billerica at the Dunn Gym.



Josh Caplan (left) and Jeremy Hogan play in a first doubles match against Billerica on Tuesday afternoon.

GIRLS TENNIS

It was business as usual for the Andover High girls tennis team, which did not lose a set in its first three matches which were played in the cold with winds whipping around the courts.

Match cancelled

A scheduled non-league match with Lexington was rained out twice and had to be cancelled because no suitable makeup date could be found.

Andover 5
Burlington 0

The Lady Warriors won all five matches in straight sets on the way to a season-opening shutout victory over non-league Burlington at the AHS courts.

"It's nice to get the first win against a competitive opponent from a solid league (Middlesex)," said first-year coach David Hughes after his debut.

"We have an immense amount of potential — and it's important to find the right line-up combinations."

The closest match of the afternoon came at first singles where MVC Player of the Year Marsha Mogilevich defeated the Red Devils' Meri Ruhotina, 6-4, 6-3.

Junior Christie Spang tattooed Noelle Judd 6-1, 6-0 at second singles, and sophomore Hannah Zarkar pounded out a 6-2, 6-0 win over Courtnie Farrell at third singles.

Senior Capt. Wendy Chen and Argentinian exchange student Gui Almade teamed for a 6-4, 6-0 victory over Burlington's Jamie Burke and Lindsay Steinbeck at first doubles.

Junior Jodi Richard and freshman Caroline Koch, in her first varsity action, blitzed Ruchi Tanna and Hannah Chang 6-0, 6-0.

In six junior varsity exhibition matches, 12 AHS players chalked up wins under the pro-set format.

Joohee Yoon and Lindsay Davidson won, 8-2, while other victors were Meredith Levenson and Casey Mitrano (8-1), Emma Haak and Kristina Black (8-0), Shannon Fitzgerald and Alyssa Bindman (8-1), Rikki Sartor and Patty Collins (8-0), Heather Arvidson and Liz McPartland (8-3).

Andover 5
Billerica 0

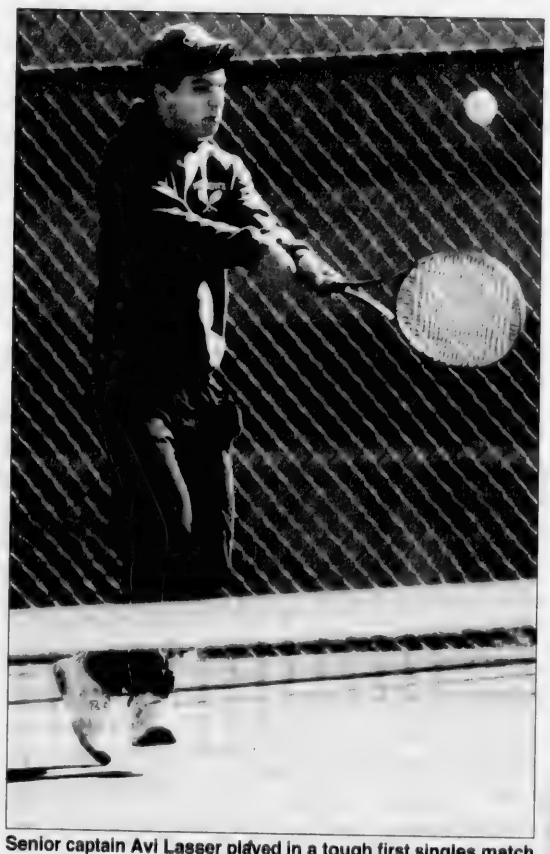
The Lady Warriors surrendered only two games in six singles sets, and four games in four doubles sets, against the host Indians Tuesday afternoon at the Lampson courts in Billerica.

Capt. Marsha Mogilevich rolled to a 6-0, 6-2 win over new BMHS player Julia Brodowski, who moved to Billerica from Germany.

Christie Spang and Hannah Zarkar overpowered their Indians' opponents in 12 straight games, sweeping past Megan Forti and Brianna Torpey by identical 6-0, 6-0 scores.

In doubles, Wendy Chen and freshman Caroline Koch were 6-0, 6-3 victors over Meredith Wyatt and Kelly Duane.

Jodi Richard and junior Lindsay Davidson completed the romp by pounding out a 6-0, 6-1 triumph over the Billerica duo of Jocelyn Burke and Katie Hanneffant.



Senior captain Avi Lasser played in a tough first singles match against Billerica, winning 6-3, 7-5 in windy conditions.

BOYS TENNIS

Capt. Avi Lasser won a hard-fought decision at first singles, and everything else was quick and easy as the Andover High boys tennis team whitewashed visiting Billerica, 5-0, Tuesday afternoon at the AHS courts.

Match postponed

The scheduled season opener against non-league Reading High of the Middlesex League, postponed by rain and cold, has been rescheduled for Monday, April 26 at the Rockets' home courts.

Andover 5
Billerica 0

Lasser was pressed at first singles by Bob Brodowski, a Billerica newcomer who moved from Germany, before posting a 6-3, 7-5 win.

"Avi was steadier and better in coming up to the net," said AHS coach Mike Wartman. "That was the difference. It was an impressive win for Avi and a nice way to start the season.

"The wind was a factor throughout the afternoon for all players on both sides — but that's not unusual for a high school tennis match in April," added the Golden Warriors' coach.

Senior Capt. Jason Edelstein was strong in a 6-0, 6-0 sweep of the Indians' Andrew Thompson at second singles, and senior Capt. Brian Axelrod popped Rafael Rios 6-1, 6-1 at third singles.

Junior Josh Caplan and sophomore Jeremy Hogan rolled to a 6-1, 6-1 decision over Billerica's Matt Uglietta and Greg Duane at first doubles.

AHS junior Mike Zakin and senior returnee Max Chistyakov completed the shutout by overpowering Peter Bour and Matt Knowles 6-0, 6-0.

TRACK & FIELD

Brittany Pierce and Felicia Thompson were double event winners as the Lady Warriors annihilated Lawrence, 125-11, in the opening dual meet at the Lovely Field oval.

The AHS boys also won handily by a lopsided 98-42 count as Vin Errico, Chris Cole and Dave Checrallah led the way.

Andover girls 125
Lawrence 11

Sophomore standout Brittany Pierce placed first in the triple jump (33'10") and 100 high hurdles (16.4), while Thompson was tops in the shot put (36'5") and discus (105'9") throws.

The talented AHS crew placed first in every event contested, and swept the javelin toss, long jump, triple jump, 100 meters, 400 meters, mile and two-mile.

Adding a victory each in the other field events were Matia Kostakis (javelin, 77'11"), long jumper Meghan Keefe (16'2"), high jumper Corinne Welsh (4'6") and pole vaulter Kerriann Bartley (7'6").

Sweeping to victory in the sprints were Jenny Dlesk in the 100 meters (12.8), Amanda Carlson the 200 meters (27.9) and Emily Korba the 400 meters (64.9).

Brittany Moriarty captured the 800 meter run (2:31.0), Courtney Hamer was tops in the mile (6:03) and Jazzy Dingler won the two-mile (13:00).

Jen Merinder rolled to a 14-second victory in the 300 intermediate hurdles (50.7).

The record-shattering 4x100 sprint relay of Carlson, Brittany and Caroline Pierce and Dlesk registered a solid 51.2 time.

Carlson also contributed second in the long jump (15'10") and Dingler was third in the mile (6:18).

The versatile Merinder placed in three events by adding a second in the 100 hurdles (17.7) and third in the long jump (15'2").

Other AHS runners-up were Kara Bularzik (discus, 80'2"), Whitney Domigan (javelin, 69'2"), triple jumper Kelly Morrissey (32'3"), high jumper Sara Kwolyk (4'4"), Caroline Pierce (100 meters, 13.2), freshman Chrissy Peracchi (200 meters, 24.6), Kelly McGowan (400 meters, 66.4), freshman Christine Conley (800 meters, 2:46), miler Leslie Willey (6:13) and two-miler Christy Nigh (13:16).

Also placing third were Jessie Shields in the shot put

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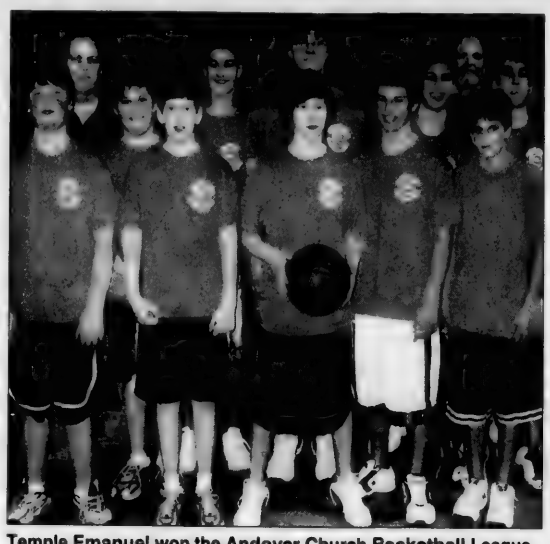
AHS senior Katherine Yao represented Massachusetts at the Regional Championships at MIT last weekend, qualifying for the Junior Olympic National Competition in Virginia Beach, Va. later this month.



Temple Emanuel won the Andover Church Basketball League Senior Boys Division championship with an exciting two-point victory over St. Constantine's in the final game of the season at the AHS Field House. The champs (from left): Matthew Hoyt, coach Ken Pirro, Ian Accomando, Josh Devine, Eric Chu, Jon Lars Carlson, Conor Heelan, Brendan Hughes, Peter Hanson, coach Craig Carlson, Jeff Pirro and Andrew Federico.

St. Augustine A team fourth-grade Church League Champions are: (from bottom) Thomas Iannolfo, David Iannalfo, Michael Iannalfo, Brian Farrell; (top row) Timmy LaBrie, T.J. Leeman, James Costello, Matt Crush; (not pictured) Greg Calabro, Derek Peterson, coaches Tom LaBrie and Val Iannalfo.

Gymnast is state champion

Gymnast Katherine Yao, a senior at Andover High School, won the first place all around title at the 2004 USA Gymnastics Level 9 Massachusetts State Championships on March 13. USA Gymnastics is the governing board for the sport in America. The levels range from 1 through 10 onto the elite-Olympic level. After capturing the 2004 Massachusetts title for the senior division, Yao represented the state at the Regional Championships on April 4.

She qualified to go on to the Junior Olympic National Competition to be held April 24 and 25 in Virginia Beach, Va.

Before the season began, Yao had a severe knee injury. But through her determination to compete her last USA Gymnastics season and her commitment to several months of therapy, Yao was able to compete by February. After a late start, Yao was able to advance quickly and had the opportunity to travel to Las Vegas and attend several invitational competitions.

"Katherine is extremely elegant on all four events and has won the best vault award in many competitions," her coach said.

Aside from training 20 or more hours every week as a team member at Northeast Gymnastics in Tewksbury, Yao enjoys playing the piano and drawing.

She is a high honor student and a member of the National Honor Society.

Yao will attend Yale University and join Yale's NCAA Division I gymnastics team in the fall.

SPORTS TALK

By Rick Harrison

This column, compiled from information supplied by the colleges or by friends and relatives of the student-athletes, youth standouts and coaches involved, is published periodically in the Townsman. Information may be mailed to the office at 33 Chestnut St., Andover, Ma. 01810 or faxed to (978) 470-2819.

Jonathan Swift of Andover was a freshman wing on the Hobart College men's hockey team, which completed a 15-8-5 season with a wild 9-5 loss to 2003 NCAA Division 3 champion Norwich University in an NCAA Tournament quarterfinal round game at Kreitzberg Arena in Northfield, Vt.

Swift, who played high school hockey at Andover and Independent School League power Lawrence Academy in Groton, helped the Statesmen to their first ECAC West championship.

At the close of the regular season the Geneva, N.Y. school ranked a program-best ninth in the nation.

The 15 wins, including tourney triumphs over Utica (4-2) and perennial power R.I.T. (3-1), tied the all-time school mark set in 1978-79.

The top rookie scorer for Hobart, Swift was twice named ECAC West Rookie of the Week and earned ECAC West co-Rookie of the Year honors.

Swift finished with 17 points, eight goals and nine assists, and among his collection were two goals on the power play, one shorthanded, two game-winners and one empty-netter.

Swift had back-to-back two-goal outbursts in the final two regular season games against Neumann College and R.I.T.

He also had two assists twice against Buffalo State University and Manhattanville.

In the 9-5 loss to Norwich, which then lost to Middlebury 3-2 in a double-overtime semifinal, Hobart erased an early 4-0 deficit to take a 5-4 lead before the Cadets scored five third-period goals to win it.

Lisa Tisbert of Andover is off to another good start for the Bentley College women's softball team.

Tisbert, the Falcons' all-time leading scorer in soccer, has been a fixture at shortstop for two years and is one of nine players who return from last year's 15-25 squad.

Tisbert has started 72 of 80 games and last year hit .291, leading Bentley in RBI (18) and runs scored (16).

In the season-opening 6-4 loss to Nova Southeastern in Fort Myers, Fla., Tisbert laced two hits and scored twice.

Two days later, as the Florida swing continued, the junior shortstop contributed two hits, a stolen base and scored the winning run in the bottom of the seventh as the Falcons edged Holy Family University, 3-2.

She also had two hits and scored twice in a recent 5-4 victory over Southern Connecticut State University.

In a non-conference twinbill split with Southampton, Tisbert lashed three hits and drove in three runs.

Sean Lawton of Andover, a senior member of the Merrimack College baseball team, helped the Warriors to a 3-1 win over West Liberty State in Fort Myers, Fla. with two hits and an RBI.

Tom Haugh of Andover continues his fine play for the Bentley College baseball team.

Freshman first baseman Haugh laced three hits and drove in two runs during a 9-0 non-conference romp over Adelphi, which helped him earn Northeast-10 Conference Rookie of the Week honors.

In a recent three-game weekend series against UMass Lowell, Haugh drilled three hits including a key two-run double in a 4-0 Falcons' victory.

Amanda Gallant of Andover, a freshman on the Bryant College women's lacrosse team, scored the tying goal with less than six minutes left in a recent 11-10 Bulldogs victory over Northeast-10 Conference rival Merrimack College.

Aynslie Accomando of Andover was a senior on the Trinity College women's swim and dive team.

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Ice cream-of-the-crop

10 years later, 5 boys from 1994 Mite A team named captains of their high school teams

By Rick Harrison

1994 Mite A's who went on to be leaders:

Key to numbers in photo:

1. Chaz Gurry, senior captain at Brooks School
2. Sean Wadland, junior captain at Central Catholic
3. Brian Buckley, senior captain at Andover High
4. Steve Johnson, college freshman, who graduated from AHS with 36 goals, 47 assists for 83 points including 18-19-37 his senior year as a team captain
5. Jamie Waters, senior captain at Brooks School

Missing from photo: John McCarthy, senior captain at St. John's Prep in Danvers.

THE FIRST CLUE that this might be a special collection of young hockey players came in the winter of 1994 when the Andover Mite A team won the annual Scott Heseltine Memorial Tournament, the Reading-/Burbank Arena Christmas Tournament, the Tewksbury-/Washington's Birthday Tournament, and the Massachusetts District Playdowns.

Fast forward a decade and marvel at a fun revelation.

This past winter five players from that gifted group of 7- and 8-year-olds served as captains of their 2003-04 high school teams.

Brian Buckley was a senior captain at Andover High, Sean Wadland a junior captain at Central Catholic in Lawrence, John McCarthy a senior captain at St. John's Prep in Danvers, Jamie Waters and Chaz Gurry senior captains at Brooks School in North Andover.

"That's pretty cool," said Buckley "I never really stopped to think about it."

Impressive, unique and decidedly cool.

Although by high school the quintet had scattered to the four winds, all five still live in Andover and remain friends.

Buckley and Wadland live around the corner from one another on Bradley and Bannister roads.

They met on the ice once each winter when Andover and Central Catholic, both members of the Merrimack Valley/Dual County League, played one another.

Buckley, Waters and Gurry re-connected when Andover and Brooks played pre-season scrimmage games.

McCarthy journeyed farthest from the area, but still skated against Central Catholic and Wadland in non-league games the past two years.

In addition to being excellent players and team leaders, all are also standouts in the classroom.

McCarthy, considered one of the top 10 senior players in Massachusetts, further distinguished himself by earning a hockey scholarship to perennial national power Boston University.

Glimpsing potential

"It was a good group of kids, very competitive, and even back then (1994) at age 7 and 8 you could see glimpses of their talent and potential," said John Christopher, coach of that highly-successful Mite A team.

"It was the first year in town for both John (McCarthy), who moved from Haverhill, and Jamie (Waters).

"Even though John missed the regular tryouts, his skill level was so apparent we immediately put him on the A team," recalled Christopher.

Among the many wins for Andover Mite A that season was a 3-1 victory over Newburyport in the Heseltine championship game during the Thanksgiving weekend.

Buckley's empty-net goal sealed the verdict and it was only the second time (1986) an Andover team had won the Heseltine tourney.

A month later the Mighty Mites came from three goals down to beat Lynnfield in the Burbank final at Christmastime.

In the District Playdowns Andover faced a very strong Agawam team in the title game.

"They had croaked us early in the season at Merrimack, but this time we beat them in overtime at Pingree School," said Christopher.

"Lynnfield and Agawam were both ranked in the state that year. We beat them both and yet we weren't ranked. I never could figure that out."

Steve Johnson and goaltender Vinnie Monaco, a grade higher than most of their teammates, were the acknowledged team leaders.

"Steve was like a man amongst boys and he probably scored close to 100 goals that season," said Christopher.

Johnson went on to a fine four-year career at Andover High, graduating with 36 goals, 47 assists for 83 points including 18-19-37 his senior year as a team captain (sixth from that Mite A crew).

"The other kids eventually came to realize it wasn't all the 'Steve and Vinnie Show,'" said Christopher. "John, Brian, Sean, Jamie and Chaz started to blossom as players and the team went on a really good run."

It didn't end with Mite A glory.

"We stayed together pretty much through Squirts (age 9-10) and Pee Wees (age 11-12)," said Buckley. "Junior High is when everyone began to go their different ways."

"We had four or five good years," said Wadland. "All through elementary school."

Buckley to Bates

Buckley, a standout baseball player and honor roll student as well, will attend Bates College (early acceptance) in Lewiston, Maine next fall to play hockey and baseball.

"I like both sports equally," said Buckley. "Bates has a club hockey team and I hope to play with them and then baseball in the spring."

A center iceman in his Mite A playing days, Buckley was a star defenseman for AHS and an MV/DCL Division 2 All-Conference choice this winter.

The six-foot, 180-pound Buckley is also captain of the baseball team and was MVP as a junior. He will play third and do some pitching for the Golden Warriors who open their season this week.

He was among the few players unaffected by the change to wooden bats last spring, hitting a crisp .379 for coach Ken Maglio's club.

His father Joe was a three-sport standout (football, hockey, baseball) at Melrose High.

Older sister Katie is a junior at Holy Cross and younger brother Craig, an eighth grader, is an up-and-coming hockey-/baseball player.

"Brian goes out and gets the job done without saying much," noted AHS head hockey coach Bill Cullen. "He seldom made a mistake in our end, and on those rare occasions he recovered quickly because of his intelligence and athletic ability.

"He plays hard all the time. When the opposing team's best forwards were on the ice — so were Brian and (defense) partner Matt Fabiani."

Buckley received the hockey team's MVP and Coaches Awards.

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AHS Roundup

■ TRACK & FIELD

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(28'7") and 100 dash (14.4), Caitlin Delaney (javelin, 67'9"), triple jumper Kayla Parker (29'3"), Lisa Detroia (400 meters, 67.9), two-miler Sarah Boxell (14:09) and 300 hurdler Caroline Cusik (65.8).

Andover boys 98
Lawrence 42

AHS swept the discus, javelin, pole vault, 110 hurdles, 800 meters, mile and two-mile to spark the triumph.

Vin Errico placed first in both hurdles races, finishing the 110-meter highs in 15.1 seconds and the 300 intermediates in 41.4. He also took second in the triple jump (40'6") to complete a 13-point afternoon.

Junior Chris Cole contributed a first and two seconds, while junior Dave Checrallah had a first and second place.

Cole won the discus toss (131'10") and was runner-up in both the 110 hurdles (15.6) and 300 hurdles (44.1).

Checrallah captured the javelin toss (139'3") and was second in the discus (114'4").

Also placing first in field events for the locals were shot putter Kyle MacKenzie (45'8"), high jumper Mark Radinski (5'6") and pole vaulter Gabe Greeley (9'6").

On the track, Jimmy Muller won the 800 meter run (2:09), Brad Sherman the mile (4:52) and Ryan Durkin the deuce (10:27).

Rob Bellardo, Jason Sheldon, Alex Perry and Ryan Donahue sped to victory in the 4x100 sprint relay (46.1).

Additional seconds were secured by shot putter Mike Gustin (44'11"), Eric Fosse (javelin, 120'5"), high jumper Kevin O'Brien (5'6"), pole vaulter Andrew Ivanovich (8'0"), Jeff Sawyer (800 meters, 2:11.5), miler James Primes (5:02) and two-miler Sasha Seletsky (10:58).

Capturing thirds were Geoff Stevens (discus, 111'9"), John Federico (javelin, 116'11"), pole vaulter Jason Durant (8'0"), 110 hurdler Adam Cuomo (16.1), sprinters Donahue (100 meters, 11.6), Sheldon (200 meters, 24.8) and Garrett Rayner (400 meters, 54.8), Mike Baldwin (800 meters, 2:12.1), miler Pete Shaw (5:38) and two-miler Oleg Seletsky (11:19).

Caitlin Carpentier pitches during softball practice.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Living up to the hype, highly-regarded host Lawrence overpowered the Andover High boys varsity volleyball team, 2-0, in Merrimack Valley Conference play.

The Lancers won by game scores of 30-22 and 30-27.

"I think our guys were trying too hard in the first game," said AHS head coach George Sullivan. "We fell behind early and never made a strong run at them. We weren't aggressive enough against a big, talented and hard-hitting team.

"We came around in the second game and played tough from beginning to end."

Middle hitter Jake Kleinman produced six of the Golden Warriors' eight kills, finishing 26-for-36 hitting, and he was 8-for-8 serving.

Capt. Sean Cummings and sophomore Jerry Mohan were both 4-for-6 hitting with one kill each.

Darren McRoy finished 8-for-12 hitting and 10-for-11 serving, while Chris James went 6-for-10 hitting and 7-for-7 serving.

Other top hitters were Ian McMahon (8-for-14), sophomore Nick Assad (6-for-10) and setter Dan Jun (5-for-5).

Sam Silverman went 6-for-6 serving and Mohan was 3-for-5.

The loss left Andover at 1-1 overall.

AHS won the JV prelim, 2-0, by identical game scores of 30-20.

Alex Levine played strong defense and was 15-for-17 hitting, with four kills, while Pat Hughes was 7-for-7 hitting with one kill.

Schedule

A match at Methuen was postponed last week because it conflicted with a dance at Methuen High. It has been rescheduled for Friday, April 23.

PHOTOS BY TIM JEAN

Liz Pallotta (left) covers second base as Maria Nasta stretches to field a ground ball during softball practice Tuesday. The first home game is today, Thursday, against Tewksbury.

5 from '94 Mite A team named high school hockey captains

■ LEADERS FROM 1994 MITE A TEAM

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Junior captain

The 5'8", 160-pound Wadland was Central's top scoring defenseman this past winter, with four goals and 10 assists, as coach Mike Jankowski's Raiders qualified for the MIAA Division 1 North Tournament for the first time in several years.

"We had a veteran team and we played well against a pretty tough schedule," said Wadland.

Like Buckley, high honors student and captain-elect for next winter Wadland also plays baseball.

It is a tribute to his maturity, and the high regard in which Sean is held by coaches and teammates, that he was elected captain as a junior.

Older brother Pat was a football and hockey standout at Central, and is now attending St. Lawrence University where he plays football.

Younger sister Julie is a sophomore at Phillips Academy and played on the girls ice hockey team.

McCarthy shines

McCarthy recently completed a spectacular career at St. John's Prep while playing in arguably the country's toughest high school league, the Catholic Conference, against Catholic Memorial, B.C. High, Xaverian and Malden Catholic.

The BU-bound 6'1", 198-pounder, also a captain and quarterback of the SJP varsity football team, led the hockey conference in scoring with 19 goals and 23 assists for 42 points.

St. John's qualified for the MIAA Elite-8 Tournament and finished the season 13-10 overall.

Last year SJP battled to the Division 1 North Tournament semifinals before dropping a tough 2-1 decision to Matignon at the FleetCenter.

McCarthy finished his Eagles' career with 108 points, 50 goals and 58 assists, while skating first-line center for two years. He was also a member of the power play and penalty-killing units.

"John is a very durable and intelligent hockey player," said SJP head coach Bob Marinelli of Malden. "He's very focused, sees the ice well and has great hockey instincts.

"He's not a flashy player but he's cool under pressure. For my money, when you need a clutch goal at the end of a game, there's no one better."

Two years ago McCarthy scored the game-winner against (state champ) Catholic Memorial with three seconds left. He also scored with 16 seconds remaining to break a tie and beat Malden Catholic.

In the classroom McCarthy, also sought-after by several Ivy League colleges, is a top-notch student and president of his school's chapter of the National Honor Society.

As a junior he received St. John's coveted Dartmouth Bowl award, and he is one of only six players in Massachusetts to be nominated for the State Hockey Coaches Academic All-Star Team.

"John will be working all spring and summer to hone his hockey skills for BU," said Marinelli.

McCarthy's father, Frank, is a dentist with offices in downtown Andover.

Duo lead Brooks

Waters and Asst. Capt. Gurry helped pace tiny Brooks (350 students) to its best season in years, as the Bishops finished 15-5-1 overall (three overtime losses) this winter and shared the Independent School League Eberhart Division title with St. George's School.

Both Brooks and St. George's were 11-1 in league play, splitting their two head-to-head games with Brooks winning 5-4 and St. George's taking a 6-5 victory in overtime.

Both Gurry, whose father Chris coached the Phillips Academy varsity for many years and is still a teacher at the school, and Waters played four years at Brooks.

"Both were instrumental in turning the team around this season," said first-year head coach Brian Daccord. "Brooks finished 8-12 last year and hadn't won the ISL title in a long time.

"It was the consistent effort and leadership of the captains that made everything fall into place."

Waters, a 5'9", 165-pound first-line left wing, was second on the team in scoring with 17 goals and 20 assists for 37 points.

"Jamie (Waters) is an exceptional athlete," said Daccord. "He's a small guy but doesn't play that way. He's an excellent playmaker — very quick and skilled."

Waters was also a member of the Brooks boys soccer team that won the New England Division 1 Prep School title last fall. In the spring he is a goaltender on the boys lacrosse team.

He follows in the footsteps of older brother, Will, who was a star athlete at Brooks.

Jamie won the team's Haddad Award, the equivalent to the senior class MVP, which is presented to the player best exemplifying "perserverance, performance and leadership."

He will attend Colby College in Waterville, Maine next fall with intentions of playing both hockey and soccer.

Both Waters and Gurry were honorable mention ISL All-Stars.

Gurry, the quintessential "defensive defenseman," scored nine points this season on two goals and seven assists.

The 6-foot, 190-pounder, who also plays lacrosse, will attend Phillips Academy for a post-graduate year before moving on to college in the fall of 2005.

"He has so much hockey sense," said coach Daccord. "It's no surprise because it runs deep in the family."

His father was a standout player at West Point and his uncle Greg played at St. John's Prep and Salem State College before a stint as head coach at Central Catholic in the 1980's.

Gurry's younger brother, John, is an up-and-coming freshman on the Brooks team.

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Music, Peter Prince and Moon Boot Lover, 8 p.m., $8, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Music, Steel Ponies, 9 p.m., free, Evos Arts, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Seminar, Homebased Businesswomen's Network offers Networking for the Small Business Professional, 7 p.m., $10 guest fee, Newbury Street (Route 1 North), Danvers; 978-744-6911.

Friday, April 9

Comedy, Dick Doherty Comedy Productions presents Bob Seibel, Chris Oake, Joe List; 9:30 p.m., $12, China Blossom, Routes 125 and 133, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Music, Plainfolk, 8 p.m., $10 advanced purchase, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Music, D-A-T, 9 p.m., $5, Evos Arts, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Saturday, April 10

Film, the Seventh Annual Northern Essex Community College Film Festival presents *The Wind Will Carry Us*, 1999, film documents the death and funeral rites of a 100-year-old Kurdish woman, 8 p.m., free, showing in the Atrium on the Franklin Street campus, Lawrence; Mark Palermo 978-556-7463.

Workshop, featuring internationally known psychic healer and author of *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Divining the Future*, Laura Scott, 1–4p.m., free, Circles of Wisdom, 90 Main St.; Susan Levine 843-852-9486.

Music, A Song For Betty, 8 p.m., $30 advance purchase, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Music, Club Delph, 9 p.m., $8, Evos Arts, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Comedy, 9:30 p.m., $15, *see Friday, April 9 entry*.

Sunday, April 11
Easter Sunday

No Events Scheduled

Monday, April 12

Art in the Park, arts and crafts activities for kids and families, sponsored by Montserrat College of Art, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., free, 23 Essex St., Beverly Commons; Betsy O'Neil 978-921-4242.

Tuesday, April 13

Introduction to Siddha Yoga Meditation and Chanting, introductory class with meditation and chanting, 7:30 p.m., call for price, Andover Siddha Yoga Meditation Center, 45 Whittier St.; Joanne Dahlgren 978-475-0966.

Meeting, Andover-North Andover AARP features Betsy Williams, who will give a talk about container gardening, 1:30 p.m., free, Senior Center, Whittier Court; Bob Sanborn 978-475-6698.

Wednesday, April 14

Meeting, Civil War Roundtable with the featured topic "John Singleton Mosby," presented by David Smith, 7:30 p.m., free, Hilton Senior Center, 61 Lafayette Road, Salisbury; Tom 978-462-8518.

Play, sponsored by the Center for the Study of Jewish-Christian Relations, presenting a play written by Elie Wiesel, *The Trial of God*, 8 p.m., free, Stevens Theater, Cushing Hall at Merrimack College, North Andover; 978-837-5428.

Quilt Faire, North Parish Quilters announces its first "quilt faire," 6–10 p.m., $2, 367 Main St., Wakefield; Pam String 978-664-2768.

Speaker, an interactive workshop, *Caring, Connecting and Communicating: A Holistic Approach to Young Women's Health* by Viginia Graves, 7 p.m., free, Masconomet Regional High School, Topsfield; Susan Rosin 978-887-0355.

Music, Folken word open mic with Michael McNevin, call for time and price, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Thursday, April 15

Discussion, Jim Gordon, president of Cape Wind Associates and 30-year veteran of the power industry, will speak about renewable energy and the controversial Cape Wind project planned for Nantucket Sound, 7:30 p.m., free admission, Brooks School auditorium, 1160 Great Pond Road, North Andover; 978-725-6300 Ext. 3201, www.capewind.org.

Book Signing, local author Norman G. Gautreau will read from his new book, *Island of First Light*, 7 p.m., free, 89 Main St.; 978-475-0143.

Lecture, Irene Beikoussis, health-care practitioner of Natural Health Services, lectures on issues regarding women's health care and healthy hormones, free, open to the public; for information including location, call 978-470-2727 or check www.nhs4u.com.

Scholars Night, Doherty Middle School will hold its annual 6th- and 7th-grade scholars night, 7 p.m., free; Karen McCarthy 978-623-8750 kmccarthy@aps1.net.

Music, Evos Arts presents Kenne Highland and his Vatican Sex Kittens, 9 p.m., $5, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-441-1063.

Music, Laurie Lewis and Tom Rozum, 8 p.m., $15 advance purchase, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Play, 8 p.m., free, *See Wednesday, April 14 entry*.

Friday, April 16

Comedy, Dick Doherty Comedy Productions presents Kevin Knox, Artie Januario; 9:30 p.m., $12, China Blossom, Routes 125 and 133, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Concert, Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College presents an evening of entertainment featuring three-time Boston Music Award winner, Eye2Eye, 8 p.m., advance tickets are $30 and all tickets at door are $35; Rogers Center Box Office 978-837-5355.

Book sale, Memorial Hall Library Friends annual book sale, regular library hours; Norma Gammon 978-623-8400 ngammon@mhl.org.

Music, Evos Arts presents Edie Dyer, Jen Kennedy and The Volume, , 9 p.m., $5, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-441-1063.

Music, Laurie Geltman with Daniel Kellar, 8 p.m., $10 advance purchase, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Open House, Montserrat College of Art announces a cross-campus exhibition, 6–9 p.m., free, 23 Essex St., Beverly; Betsy O'Neil 978-921-4242.

Saturday, April 17

Concert, Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College presents

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The Saltbox Gallery presents "Spring Promise," a show featuring new artwork by members, through April. The gallery, at 49 Main St., Topsfield, is a cooperative of 17 artists from the North Shore. It is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Call 978-887-3844.

Nancy Richards stocks DVDs for the new "Quick Flicks" program coming in two weeks to Memorial Hall Library.

Progressive scan: Pay-per-view DVDs at MHL

By Andrea Gregory

RESIDENTS MAY NO LONGER HAVE TO wait more than a year for a chance to borrow popular, recent movies from Memorial Hall Library. Within two weeks, the library will open Quick Flicks – a section serving as a mini-video store – near the circulation desk.

The collection will begin with about 20 new releases ready to be rented for $2 each. Library-card holders will be able to check out one DVD from the Quick Flicks section at a time, and keep it out for one week.

While the library has lauched Quick Flicks to meet the high demand for DVDs, the program will also generate revenues during a difficult financial time.

Up until now, library patrons have been able to reserve movies for free. This could lead to a wait of more than one-year to see new movies. For instance, 71 people were on a waiting list this week to borrow Oscar-nominee for Best Picture, *Lost in Translation*, from the library.

This reserve method for borrowing movies will continue, and cost $1, beginning July 1. But the Quick Flicks method – borrowing copies of the latest movies that cannot be reserved by anyone – will cost $2.

Charging for movies is expected to generate $25,000 per year for the library.

Beth Mazin said the library is stocking the Quick Flicks section with only the latest films to hit the DVD market, such as *Lost in Translation*, *Runaway Jury*, *Matchstick Men*, *21 Grams* and *House of Sand and Fog*.

"We really want them to be recent releases. We're not going back. We don't want to buy old ones. The collection will build up as we go forward," said Mazin. "These are extra copies of things we're buying anyway."

She said Quick Flicks will reward people who frequent the library, because it will give them a chance to snatch a popular movie they've wanted to see.

A total of 71 townspeople this week had their names on a waiting list to rent *Lost in Translation*.

Something had to give in the Memorial Hall Library budget – and with the debut of its Quick Flicks program, charging for movies is expected to generate $25,000 per year for the library.

But Mazin is not thrilled about charging $2 per rental, even if the fee is still cheaper than the cost of movies at video-rental stores.

"We're not wild about charging fees. When you talk about charging for library material, no one wants to do it. I think circulation will go down," she said.

Mazin said the library tried charging fees for extra copies of recently released books a few years ago. She said a program, called "Books To Go," was created to give people the option of paying a small fee to avoid waiting for a new book to become available. But even the small fee seemed to turn off some readers.

According to Mazin, there was a noticeable drop in circulation. Eventually the price tag was eliminated, and the program continued without it, she said.

"We're not sure we like charging at all, but we're willing to do it. If it weren't for the budget situation, we would do Quick Flicks, but we wouldn't charge at all. That's all budgetary," said Mazin.

Funds generated by movie rentals will be entered into a revolving library account starting in the new fiscal year. Mazin said the library intends to use some of the money to increase its DVD collection.

"We hope that when times are better, we won't have to charge," she said. "There will be people that will be unhappy about it. It's a better alternative than closing hours."

Generating enthusiasm

'88 AHS grad Brett Duggan fronts band Crazy Morning

By Ben Hellman

Lots of people strive for fame, but one Andover High School graduate has a system to get there.

Brett Duggan, a 1988 graduate, and the other members of his band Crazy Morning have taken to the streets, willing to recruit fans one at a time. An album called *Running for Famous* and a planned television show of the same name present the band's music and its plan to become known by as many people as possible, as quickly as possible.

Duggan has stood on New York City sidewalks introducing himself to passersby and gathering e-mail addresses to start a grass-roots, political-style campaign.

Instead of running for office, he's running for the position of famous person. Hence the title *Running for Famous*.

The band members also work on a program that teaches performers how to be better entrepreneurs, he says. Then there's the television pilot based on the band being filmed by Passport Productions, which produces *House Wars* and *Trading Spaces*. Of course, the band plays gigs too.

"The fact that the music is great is a nice surprise," says Duggan, the band's drummer.

Crazy Morning is the band Andover High grad and drummer Brett Duggan (below) says he has always wanted to be in.

Crazy Morning is the band Duggan says he has always wanted to be in. The seven members play a variety of eclectic instruments: trumpet, trombone and violin, and then the guitar, bass and drums normally in rock bands. But Crazy Morning isn't, strictly speaking, a rock band. Tiring of having to respond to questions about what kind of music they play, band members came up with a unique answer. Now, when asked, they tell people they are a "ROMP" band. ROMP is an acronym for Rock, Orchestral, Melodic, Punk. Duggan compares the band's music to the Mighty Mighty Bosstones and the Beatles.

Duggan says he involves himself in self-promotion for a good reason. After performing in one play at AHS, he knew he wanted to be an actor. But after years of auditions and stand-up comedy stints, Duggan learned that he could not wait around for his dream to come true. He had to work for it.

"I've learned the hard way. It's not luck, it's hard work. It's getting out there and working every angle possible," he says.

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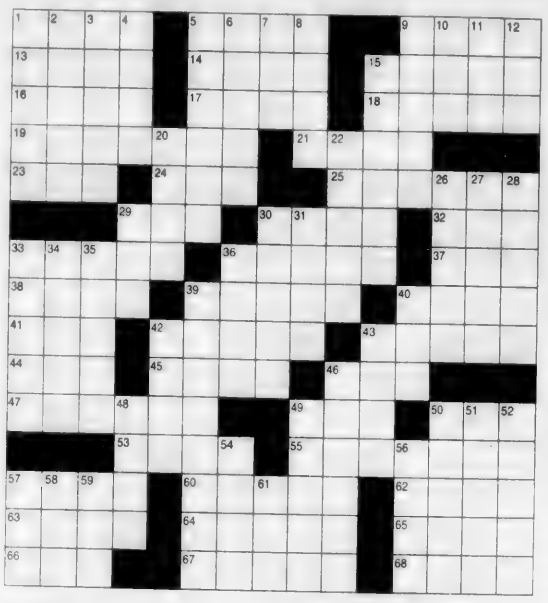

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5. Assist
9. Judge
13. Lotion ingredient
14. Wind
15. Craze
16. Belief
17. Continent
18. Forestall
19. Freudian
21. Metric weight unit
23. Spanish contraction
24. Avail
25. Neighborhood pest
29. Boxing champ
30. Sleeping
32. Central processing unit
33. Girl in Wonderland
36. Type of wood
37. Possessive pronoun
38. Brand of laundry detergent
39. Repent
40. Lairs
41. Wreath
42. Beautify
43. Type of code
44. Once
45. Tone
46. Grovel
47. Jew or Arab
49. Gel
50. Huge
53. Disfigure
55. Groom
57. Excuse
60. Sailing
62. Band instrument
63. Old TV show
64. Food
65. Microscope viewer
66. Narcotic
67. Cook in an oven
68. Otherwise

CLUES DOWN

1. First course
2. Unaccompanied
3. Pink
4. Part of a hull
5. Tennis star
6. Sew loosely
7. Actor, Wallach
8. Indian wood
9. Trouble
10. Compass pt.
11. Atmosphere
12. Rodent
15. Sickness
20. Holiday log
22. Actress, Dunn
26. Yellow pigment
27. Tournaments
28. Care for
29. Whiz
30. Terminate
31. Former W. German capital
33. Reference
34. Feudal superior
35. Expression
36. British School
39. Adios
40. Cur
42. Reach
43. Allot, with "out"
46. Assail verbally
48. Fill
49. Mutter
50. Biblical tower
51. Wrinkle removers
52. Canada and snow
54. Baby sheep
56. Planet end
57. Curve
58. MGM's lion
59. Annoy
61. Body of water

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Tommy Dorsey Orchestra, 7:30 p.m., advance tickets $22, advance student and seniors tickets $20, all tickets at door $25; Rogers Center Box Office 978-837-5355.

Music, Electric Donkey, 9 p.m., $5, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-441-1063.

Performance, New Moon Coffeehouse presents the wacky Wisconsin duo Lou and Peter Berryman, 8 p.m., $15, Universalist Unitarian Church, junction of routes 110 and 125, Haverhill; 978-373-9259 or 978-372-5173 on day of show.

Film, the Seventh Annual Northern Essex Community College Film Festival presents *Central Station*, 1998, an internationally acclaimed film. 8 p.m., free, showing in the Atrium on the Franklin Street campus, Lawrence; Mark Palermo 978-556-7463.

Music, Seamus Kennedy, 7 p.m., $15 advance purchase, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Music, Crossroads Coffeehouse presents local acoustic performer Vance Gilbert, 8 p.m., $15, 190 Academy Road, North Andover; 978-687-3960.

Comedy, 9:30 p.m., $12, *See Friday, April 16 entry.*

Book sale, *see Friday, April 16 entry.*

Sunday, April 18

Demonstration, Andovers Artists Guild will host a watercolor painting demonstration by Methuen artist Joan Rademacher, 2 p.m., $2, North Parish Church, North Andover; 978-658-4693.

Music, Evos Arts presents Ari, 9 p.m., free, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-441-1063.

Antique Appraisal, event to benefit Merrimack Valley Hospice, featuring appraisals by local dealers, raffles, etc., 2–5 p.m., $25, Steeple Hall, Newburyport; Karrie Eaton 800-475-8335.

Fundraiser, cultural event to benefit Calvary Baptist Church, 4 p.m., $15, Rogers Center for Arts, Merrimack College, North Andover; 978-373-6466.

Open house, North Shore Music Theater's third annual open house, featuring a variety of exciting activities including a youth performances, face painting and balloon art, 10 a.m.–3 p.m., free, Dunham Road, Beverly; Mike Ceceri 978-232-7222.

Music, WERS presents a benefit for the Lowell Rape Crisis Center, featuring Antje Duvekot, Tom Brosseau and Maeve, 7:30 p.m., $10 advance purchase, Capo's, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-453-5755.

Book sale, *see Friday, April 16 entry.*

Ongoing

Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art, gallery hours Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m., Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy; 978-749-4015 www.addisongallery.org.

Alpers Fine Art of Andover, gallery hours; Wednesday and Thursdays 11 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 2 Main St.; 978-470-0013.

Andover Historical Society, tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century, Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m. $5 admission, students $3, 97 Main St.; 978-475-2236, www.andhist.org.

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, *Objects and their Meanings: Historical Highlights of the Peabody*, displays ethnographic objects from the museum's collections of North and South America and a series of photographs that illustrate the activities of the museum's key people during the last century; Tuesday through Saturday, noon-5 p.m., by appointment only, free admission, Phillips Academy campus, 175 Main St.;

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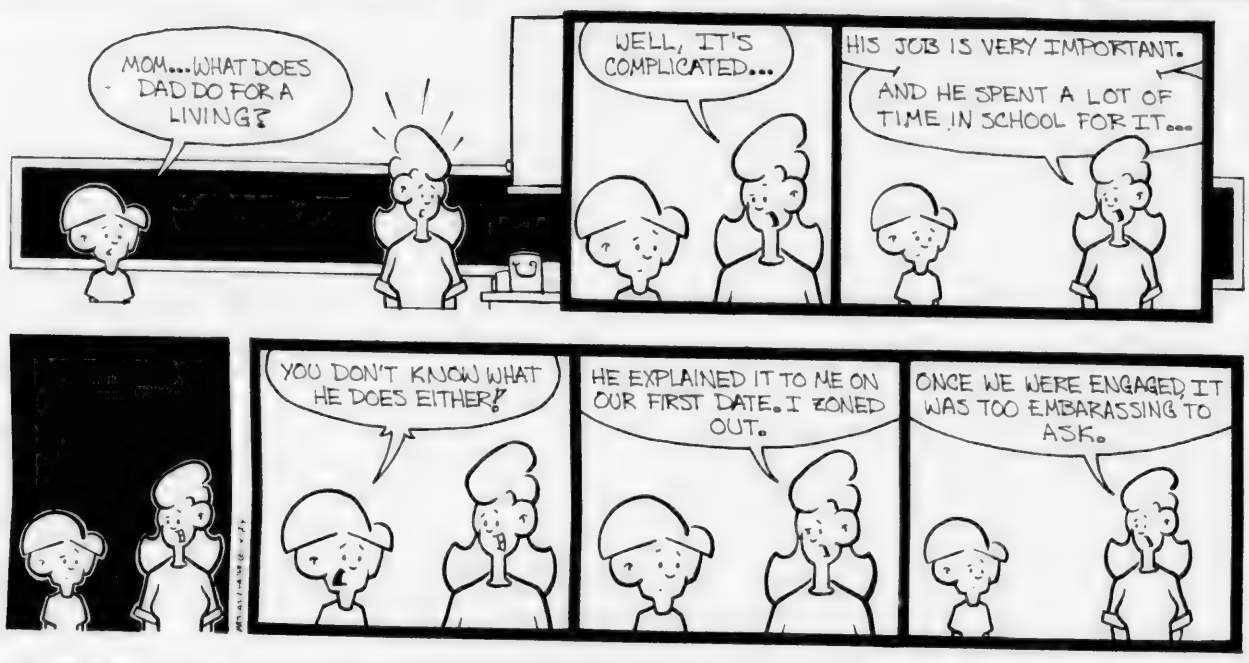
ENTERING ANDOVER

By Neil Fater and Don Mathias



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Essex Art Center, in the Main Gallery April 16–May 14 (with an opening reception for both exhibits Friday, April 16, 5-7 p.m., including refreshments and music by Seamus McLaughlin and Peter Wood): Faculty Show 2004, featuring work in a variety of mediums by more than 30 of the artists/teachers at the center; Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery, April 16–June 11: in an: Instant – Giclee prints by Toru Nakanishi and sliver gelatin prints by Darren Perocchi; reception and galleries are free and open to the public; Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Friday 10 a.m-5:30 p.m., Essex Art Center, 56 Island St., Lawrence; 978-685-2343, www.essexartcenter.com.

Robert Lehman Art Center at Brooks School, *Nostalgic Journey*, American illustrations from the collection of the Delaware Art Museum, through June 13; gallery hours Tuesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Sunday, 2:30-5 p.m., 1160 Great Pond Road, North Andover; 978-725-6232.

Arthur Griffin Center for Photographic Art, Main Gallery: rare photographs from the Civil War, includes eight new images, through June 25; Emerging Artists Gallery: "short stories," unique perspectives on the ordinary by Concord-based photopgrapher Robert Hannan, through June 11; Tuesday-Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., $5 admission. Thursday admission is free all day, 67 Shore Road, Winchester; 781-729-1158, www.griffinmuseum.org.

Whistler House Museum of Art, Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., $4, 243 Worthen St., Lowell; 978-452-7641.

Memorial Hall Library, Artist of the Month for March is Crist Filer, who works mainly in watercolor and pencil, Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m.; 978-623-8400, www.mhl.org.

McCoy Gallery, Merrimack College, hours Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., free admission; 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

Sakowich Campus Center, at Merrimack College, the Fireside and First floor lounges, call for hours; 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

McQuade Gallery, gallery hours Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday, 7:30 a.m. -6 p.m., Saturday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

Senior Center artists, talented artists participate in art classes and enjoy the "drop-in group" on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, art display of oils, watercolors, pencil, pen and ink, pastels and oriental brush art is in the Music Room; Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court; 978-623-8321.

Featured in the comedy *Bless Me, Father* at the Amesbury Playhouse, 194 Main St., Amesbury, are (from left) Paul Gallant of Lynn, and Terri LaPierre and Rob Carroll of Newburyport. The show runs through April 25. Call 978-388-9444 for more information.

Montserrat College of Art Gallery, faculty art exhibit through April 8, Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, noon-4 p.m., 23 Essex St., Beverly; 978-921-4242.

Flint Memorial Library, 147 Park St., North Reading; 978-664-4942, www.flintmemoriallibrary.org.

Churchill Gallery, Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sunday, 12:30-5:30 p.m., 6 Inn St., Newburyport, 978-462-9891.

The State of the Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden, Rocky Neck Art Colony, Gloucester; 978-463-8883.

Cape Ann Historical Museum, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 27 Pleasant St., Gloucester; 978-283-0455.

The Saltbox Gallery, Spring Promise, featuring outstanding new artwork by members, through April; cooperative of 17 artists from the North Shore; Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; 49 Main St., Topsfield; 978-887-3844.

J. David Broudo Gallery of Art, Acts of Seeing/Acts of Perception: Contemporary Oklahoma Indian Life, an exhibition by Ruthe Blalock Jones, through April 16, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Endicott College, 376 Hale St. (Route 127) Beverly; 978-232-2250.

Revolving Museum, through April 2, LocalMotive: Gallery Exhibit, indoor gallery space will be transformed into an interactive exhibit celebrating the wonders of the natural world; audiences will be taken on a journey through a variety of innovative artworks that explore issues like pollution control and spirituality through nature, artist-driven museum, dedicated to presenting public art, exhibitions, educational programs, gallery hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday noon-4 p.m., 22 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-937-2787.

Laura Coombs Hills Gallery, Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 60 Water St., Newburyport; 978-465-8769, www.newburyportart.org.

Mingo Gallery, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 252 Cabot St., Beverly 978-927-5964.

Nevins Memorial Hall, 305 Broadway, Methuen; 978-686-4080.

Arlington Center for the Arts, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., 41 Foster St., Arlington.

Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, The Creative Hand III, The Art of Craft; The Craft of Art, through April 24; Georgette Grey, The Eternal Search for Existential Beauty, through April 25; Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 136 State St., Portsmouth, N.H., 603-431-4230.

Gelb Gallery at Phillips Academy, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, noon-4 p.m.; 978-475-4419.

Bravos Arts Gallery, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., One East Main St., Georgetown, 978-352-8102.

Ayer Lofts Art Gallery, a cooperative artist space in Lowell, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 172 Middle St., Lowell, 978-970-3556 info@ayerlofts.com

River Gallery, Thursday through Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 4 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1559.

Ocmulgee Pottery & Fine Crafts, Cosanti WindBells, featuring the famous Soleri Windbells, through April 30; gallery hours Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 26 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1298.

Crescent Dragon Gallery, 59 Washington St., Haverhill; www.galleryom.homestead.com/1.html

Walsingham Gallery, painter Dennis Perrin, gallery hours: Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 47 Merrimac St., Newburyport; 978-499-4411 www.thewalsinghamgallery.com

Newburyport Art Association, Heidi S.D. Jackson in an exhibition entitled *Garden Portraits* (opening reception on April 17, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.); *Wicked Good Art*, sculpture and photos by Mark Brophy and Jane von Bosse (reception on Saturday, April 10 from 3 to 5 p.m.); 65 Water St., Newburyport; 978-465-8769.

North Shore Arts Association of Gloucester, featuring sculptures, paintings, Pirate's Lane, Gloucester; 978-283-1857.

Erlich Gallery, gallery hours Tuesday through Saturdays 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sunday noon-5 p.m., 96 Washington St., Marblehead; 781-631-1202.

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Bless Me, Father, a comedy that captures all the raucous hilarity of Mack Sennett, through April 25; call for times and prices, Amesbury

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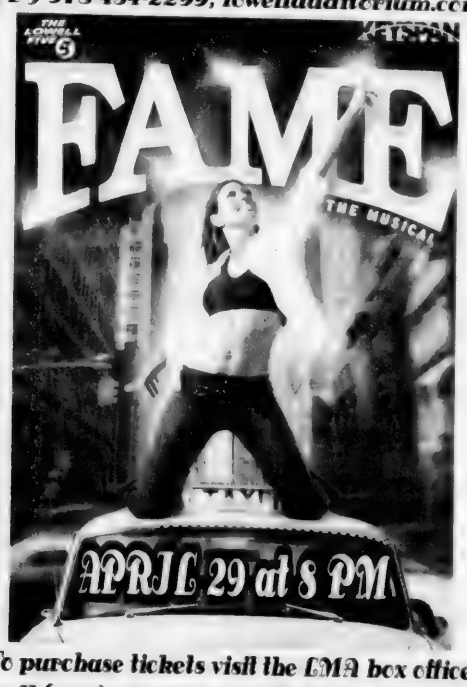

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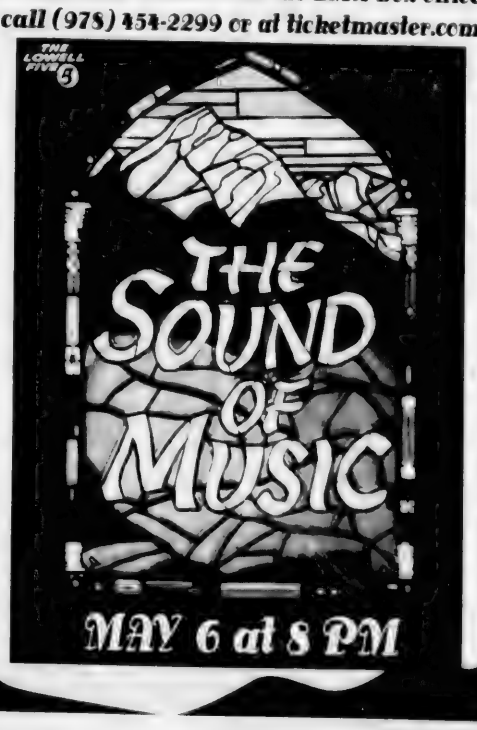

EVENTS CALENDAR

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Playhouse, 194 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-9444.

Le Grande David and his Spectacular Magic Company, Sundays 3 p.m., $18, $12 children 11 and under, Cabot St. Cinema Theater, 286 Cabot St., Beverly; 978-927-3677.

The Sweepers, Stoneham Playhouse, the regional premiere of a new play by John C. Piciardi, through April 18, $32, call for times, 395 Main St., Stoneham; 781-279-2200 www.stonehamtheatre.com.

Something In The Air by Richard Dresser, through April 11, variety of season-ticket packages as well as single tickets ranging in price from $23 to $39 are available through the box office, Merrimack Repertory Theater Liberty Hall, 50 E. Merrimack St., Lowell; 978-454-3926.

Museums and Historic Homes

Andover Historical Society, tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century; Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m. $5 admission, students $3, 97 Main St.; 978-475-2236, www.andhist.org.

Museum of Printing, 800 Massachusetts Ave., North Andover, featuring antique printing equipment, $5 admission, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, 1-8 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; 978-686-0450 or www.museumofprinting.org.

North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St., changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th- to the 20th century, library and archive, $3 adults, $1 children, $2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., $5 adults for a combined tour of both properties; 978-686-4035.

American Textile History Museum, *Let's Go Hawaiian* exhibition is a fanciful exploration of the fascination with Hawaii, its influence on mainstream culture, and a playful look at the cult of the Hawaiian shirt; more than 125 classic and contemporary shirts, most originating from the collection of Gary Moss, picture Hawaii's history, the beauty of its landscape, its popular culture, and lure as a tourist resort; exhibit runs through Sunday, June 20; coming Sunday, April 25 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.: International Arts Day, hosted by the American Textile History Museum, the event is a collaboration of ATHM, the Faith Quilt Project, Indian Hill Music Center, Middlesex Community College, and ONE Lowell. The day is free to all, and it's a multi-cultural experience for the whole family showcasing the artistic and cultural contributions of Lowell's immigrant and refugee communities. ATHM, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; museum hours are Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday, and most holidays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed July 4; admission $6 for adults; $4 for students, seniors, and groups; free for children under 6 and museum members, parking is free, and the building is wheelchair accessible; 978-441-0400 or www.athm.org.

Boott Cotton Mills Museum, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 400 Foot of John St., Lowell.

New England Quilt Museum, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 18 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-452-4207.

Lawrence Heritage State Park, open daily, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 1 Jackson St., Lawrence; 794-1655.

Wenham Museum, $5 adults, $3 children ages 2 and up, 132 Main St., Wenham; 978-468-2377.

Custom House Maritime Museum, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 25 Water St., Newburyport; its Lowell Boat Shop, 459 Main St., Amesbury, Wednesday-Sunday; 978-388-0162.

Peabody Essex Museum, Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., $12 adults, $10 seniors $8, students; free for children under 16; East India Square, Salem; 978-745-9500, 866-745-1876, www.pem.org.

Dracula's Castle, unusual lore of New England focusing on strange ghostly and unexplained events, $6, $4 ages 8-14, Saturdays, 7:30 p.m., 90 Lafayette St., Salem; Dan Tremblay 978-777-2711.

House of Seven Gables, Open daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m., extended hours until 7 p.m., through October, $10 (2 for 1 admission for Essex County residents with proof of residency), 54 Turner St., Salem. 978-744-0991, www.7gables.org.

Meetings/Activities

Altrusa International/Merrimack Valley, a service organization that focuses on community needs, meets second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m., Chelmsford Public Library, Chelmsford; Arlene Miele 978-453-2531.

American Legion Andover Post 8, second Wednesday of the month, September to June, 7 p.m., Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St.; Ted Witman 978-683-9988.

Amnesty International, Merrimack Valley Chapter, meets second Monday of the month, McQuade Library, Merrimack College, 7:30 p.m.; Leslie 978-475-6960.

Andover Great Books Group, meets second and fourth Tuesdays, discusses book of the week, activity room, Memorial Hall Library, 7:30-9 p.m.; Jean McGreehan 667-9610.

Andover Tennis Club, for men, women and children, recreational singles, doubles and mixed doubles play at the intermediate level, $65 family membership, $40 single membership, Phillips Academy, www.andovertennis.org.

Bel Canto Singers, seeks new voices for the 2003-04 season, rehearsals Thursday evening from 7:30-9 p.m., St. John the Evangelist Church, 115 Middlesex St., North Chelmsford; 978-256-0783.

Business Network International (BNI), Wednesdays, 7-8:30 a.m., Denny's, Route 114, Lawrence; Edna 978-640-8919, or Steve 978-975-1328.

Business Network International, Haverhill Chapter, Fridays 7-8:30 a.m., Best Western Hotel, 401 Lowell Avenue, Haverhill, 603-475-3503, www.bni-haverhill.org.

Choral Arts Society, for information and to audition call; Rick Seaman 603-382-5070 or Shelia Kanan 978-373-4990.

Country line dancing, Stompers Country Line Dance Production will have line dancing every Wednesday and Sunday, 7-11 p.m., GuestHouse Inn & Suites, Exit 47, I-93, Methuen.

Community men's chorus, The Men's Chorus of New England, formed by Treble Chorus of New England at Merrimack College with Richard Barney conducting, 5:30-7 p.m., Tuesdays, West Parish Church, Andover; Anne O'Neill 978-837-5461.

Embroiders Guild of America, dedicated to teaching and preserving needlework as an art form, third Tuesday of the month, September through May, 7 p.m., Tewksbury Congregational Church, Main and East streets, Tewksbury; Rosemary Carter 978-893-0959.

Exsultet!, a chamber choir, rehearsals Mondays, 7:30-10 p.m., Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, 16 Sylvan St., Danvers; Richard Larrage 781-329-1741.

Folk dance, Skirts and Flirts Square Dance Club, weekly Thursday classes, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Shawsheen Elementary School, Shawsheen and Hopkins streets (Route 12), Wilmington; 978-658-4022 or 978-658-3480.

Grandparents as Parents Resource Network of Greater Lowell, 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7-8:30 p.m., Memorial Hospital, Lowell; Rachelle Comtois 978-459-3242.

Learn to line dance, the Knights of Columbus hosts a learn to line dance class every Monday evening, beginners welcome, doors open 6:30 p.m., instruction will start 7 p.m., Knights of Columbus, 2068 Main St., Tewksbury; 1-800-233-4ADJ.

Lowell Opera Company, new members welcome, auditions not required. Rehearsals are held Monday nights at 7:30 pm at Christ Church United, 6 Bartlett St., Lowell; 978-441-6926 for more information, or www.operalowell.org.

Memorial Hall Library, Merrimack Valley Quilters, Artist of the Month, book discussion every fourth Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m., Elm Square; www.mhl.org.

PIANO-THON AT NORTHERN ESSEX — More than a dozen nationally and internationally recognized pianists will dedicate their time and talent to a Northern Essex Community College sponsored piano-thon to benefit the Essex Chamber Music Players on Sunday, April 18 from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Conference Center of the Bentley Library on the Haverhill campus. Tickets are $10 for general admission, $5 for students and seniors, and $25 for families. The public is invited to attend all or part of this three-hour event, the second annual. "The caliber of the performers participating in this fundraising event is beyond my wildest expectations," says Mike Finegold, Northern Essex Community college professor and founder of Essex Chamber Music Players. "I am just thrilled." Highlights of the performance will be two works of Afro-American composers of the early 1900s performed by Carmen Rodriguez-Peralto (left photo) of Arlington; John McDonald (center) performing his own compositions as well as *Ergonomic Piano* by Russ Gershon; and Marc Rossi (at right) performing two original Latin-modern jazz compositions.

Carmen Rodriguez-Peralto

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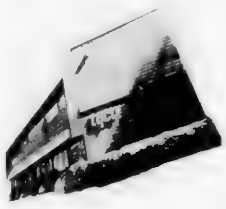

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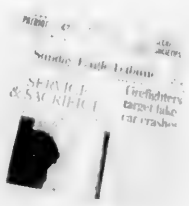

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■ BRETT DUGGAN

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Crazy Morning is also a vehicle to spread this message that hard work is needed to make dreams come true, says Duggan. "You can do anything. Follow your dreams," says Duggan.

The message and the music are working, he says. "People say, 'Wow, you guys are so fun,'" he says. Duggan is trying to book a performance for the band in Andover.

Timing is of the essence, because the group's lead singer, Monroe Mann, is a National Guardsman and his company has been called up to go to Iraq in May.

The group is also trying to play a United Service Organization (USO) show for troops in the United States before then.

"It will just be the most emotionally electric, weird thing for him to be playing for guys that are shipping out, with him shipping out in a month," says Duggan.

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Andover resident **Ellen V. Keith** was a participant in the Stonehill College Chapel Choir trip to Italy in February.

With the choir, Keith traveled to Rome, Assisi, and Florence; singing at Masses at Santa Susana and Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome as well as the Dumo in Florence. In addition, the choir visited many holy sites and was granted an audience with Pope John Paul II.

Keith is a senior at Stonehill College in Easton and is majoring in English with a secondary education minor.

Grace Ha of 17 Clark Road was selected to participate in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy from Feb. 17 through Feb. 22, in Washington, D.C.

Having demonstrated academic achievement and an interest in a career related to national security, Ha joined approximately 400 high school juniors and seniors from across the United States at the forum.

The curriculum for the Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy is based on actual world events, allowing participants to learn from the examples set by previous generations of leaders and encouraging them to develop a perspective and tenacity unique to upcoming generations of leaders.

Throughout the forum, students will examine how the US plans for peace and prepares for crisis. Students will meet with leaders from key agencies and institutions. In the past, NYLF/DID has visited several government institutions and military installations, including the US Department of State, the US Marine Corps Combat Development Command at Quantico, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the US Naval Academy, a variety of embassies and many others.

The UMass Lowell fall semester 2003 dean's list students from Andover include: **Chelsee Adams**, 10 Hearthstone Place; **Natasha Ahmed**, 120 Dascomb Road; **Jenna Blanchette**, 65 Andover St.; **Edmond Boulanger**, 101 North St.; **Amy Cataldo**, 1 Steeple Court; **Ashley Chandler**, 1 Pioneer Circle; **Tara Cullen**, 40 Bailey Road; **Carmen DeMarco**, 65 Stevens St.; **Ryan Hill**, 36 Corbett St.; **Emma Kremer**, 3 Sugarbush Lane; **Nicholas Lee**, 5 Eagle Way; **Matthew Murphy**, 256 River Road; **Amelia Pineault**, 209 Lowell St.; **Shardul Ramolia**, 11 Pole Hill Drive; **Anna Revsin**, 4 Enfield Drive; **Kara Robidoux**, 21 Brundrett Ave.; **Christopher Simari**, 64 Morton St.; **Katherine Ternullo**, 11 Ellsworth Road; **Laura Tomaszczuk**, 50 River Road; **Lisa**

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Consolidation: A work in progress

Smith, Major see possible efficiencies in combining school, town divisions

By Ben Hellman

WITH THE POSSIBILITY of consolidating town hall's and the school department's business and technology divisions, Andover leaders are studying how these divisions operate.

These discussions could take on added importance, as Bernie Tuttle, schools business manager, said he will retire this summer. Tuttle has spent eight years in Andover and 35 in the education field.

School Committee member Christopher Smith suggested consolidating the town-side and school-side business and technology divisions a year ago.

During the summer of 2003, Selectman Brian Major and School Committee chairman (then committee member) Tony James began discussions with town- and school-side staff. "We spent many lunch periods with these folks," said Major.

Christopher Smith

Brian Major

Bernie Tuttle

Tuttle has approached the plan with openness. "I think it's always helpful to identify efficiencies. It enlightens people to what works. I think it's a good exercise to go through," said Tuttle.

Major said he was a strong supporter of consolidating the divisions. He said the summer discussions between town and school staffs have already yielded positive results. Major said at one meeting, business division people – he did not recall from which side – were having trouble completing a routine financial report and they received assistance from people on the other side.

Major said experts from the various divisions would need to accept the change to make it work.

Smith said the specific make-up of a consolidation is not important to him, just that the discussions move forward.

"Right now, what I'm trying to do is initiate a discussion to create a movement towards a review of business practices," said Smith. "We have to start somewhere."

Smith and Major both pointed to the Plant and Facilities Department – once two separate town and school maintenance departments – and Human Resources as examples of how the town can run more efficiently without two separate town and school divisions using different standards and practices.

Smith said the idea of consolidation occurred to him two years ago when he entered office. He said it has been eye-opening for him to see how long it takes for town government to consider change.

"This is finally gaining momentum," said Smith.

SCHOOL NOTEBOOK

By Ben Hellman

Destination: Tennessee

Three Andover teams will compete in the Destination Imagination global finals in Knoxville, Tenn. in May. Destination Imagination challenges students to use their imaginations to solve problems.

The three Andover representatives are a team of students from Doherty Middle and West Middle; a team of students from Wood Hill Middle and West Middle; and a team from Sanborn Elementary.

Six Andover teams attended the Massachusetts finals at Worcester Polytechnical Institute, and the first-place winners will attend the global competition.

Bowled over

Doherty Middle School students took first place and completed an undefeated season last week in the Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative's Academic Bowl. West Middle School took second place and Wood Hill Middle was in fifth place at the end of the season.

The Academic Bowl is an 18-year-old quiz-style program that tests students teamed together from different schools. Students are asked questions on current events, general knowledge, the presidents of the United States, and American history through the mid-19th century.

Part of each match is played out on stage with buzzers like a game show. Other sections have students building rolling machines out of various objects and completing other hands-on challenges.

Doherty Middle students were paired with students from the Oliver School in Lawrence, West Middle students were paired with students from the Wetherbee School in Lawrence and Wood Hill Middle students were partners with students from Timony Grammar School of Methuen.

More than 128 students took part in the final match, held at West Middle School last Thursday, April 1.

Six Andover teams attended the Massachusetts finals of Destination Imagination at Worcester Polytechnical Institute. Members of several DI teams gathered for a photo after some of the creative competition.

West Middle teacher placed on paid leave

School officials are not willing to say why West Middle School teacher Gina Mattson is no longer teaching. The seventh grade language arts teacher went on a paid leave of absence on March 3. Mattson is a first-year teacher who started at West Middle in September. Her yearly salary is $34,232.

The parents of seventh-graders who had Mattson recently received a letter from Principal Kathy Hammond saying Mattson would not be teaching for the remainder of the year.

The letter gave no indication of why she was no longer teaching, said several parents. Hammond declined to comment on Mattson's sudden leave and declined the *Townsman's* request for a copy of the letter, saying it was a personnel matter.

BOOK REVIEW

The Adventures of Ulysses

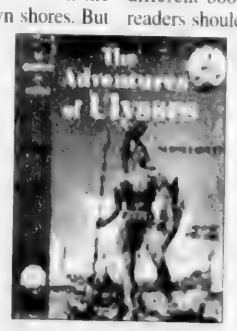
BY BERNARD EVSLIN

Reviewed by John Chartier and James Caron

This week, 14-year-old Andover residents John and James review a classic adventure book, rooted in mythology, for readers 11 and older.

IMAGINE A WORLD FULL OF MONSTERS so chilling, just laying eyes upon them could turn a person to stone. Think of women whose songs are so beautiful that sailors would jump into icy waters to be near them, only to meet their death on the rocks below. Picture giants with incredible power – but only one eye. These are the monsters that arose from Greek mythology, many of whom are featured in the book *The Adventures of Ulysses* by Bernard Evslin.

The Adventures of Ulysses is a classic story about a warrior hero, Ulysses, who is just returning from the mighty war of Troy. When the book begins, he and his men can feel the sea air of their homeland, feel the warm sun beating down on their bodies and are itching to feel their feet touch the blessed soil of their hometown shores. But unknown to them, their longest and hardest battles have yet to arise.



They encounter some of the most fearsome creatures in existence just to get back to their homes. They discover the Sirens, a fearsome group of half-bird, half-woman monsters who will sing the most beautiful songs to lure sailors toward the shore to meet their deaths among the rocks. They will find the Cyclops, a giant creature with one eye, who, though not especially brilliant, will take quite a feat to escape. These, along with countless other obstacles, conspire to keep Ulysses from reaching home. When he finally arrives, he has the largest battle yet in which to fight – he must regain his kingdom and his family.

We give this book and eight out of 10. This journey was first written by Homer (in a work known as *The Odyssey*), an author of ancient Greece who passed all of his stories down orally. It is available in several different books of varying difficulties so readers should explore them all to find the one that is right for them. The particular one we read was by Bernard Evslin.

The plotlines of this amazing story run together intricately to form a glorious tapestry of a tale. No unnecessary loose strings are left unwoven, which makes this book the masterpiece that it is.

Those attending Andover Public Schools will read this book in the sixth grade, but others should make it a point to pick up their own copy to enjoy in their spare time. This book is a classic, and we know that each reader will come away with something after reading it.

We recommend this book for those who are 11 or older. This is purely because of the complexity of the story and how hard someone younger might find it to keep all of the names straight.

So sail on down to a local bookstore or library and battle any necessary creatures, monsters, gods and demons to get a copy of *The Adventures of Ulysses*.

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LOCAL SCHOLARS

Wood Hill students achieve 2nd-term honor roll

Wood Hill Middle School has named the following students to the honor roll for Term 2:

Grade 6

High honors

David Barry
Peter Belanger III
Matthew Binder
Timothy Bland
Haley Brennan
George Cheng
Erin Christopher
Zachary DeLuca
Kevin DiPasquale
Charlotte Dowden
Caroline Dykstra
Dillon Esdale
Ross Esdale
Jordan Freeman
Kate Gilmore
Barbara Gimbel
Christopher Goodwin
Laura Hansen
Chelsea Hockman
Conan Huang
Philine Huizing
Julia Kasparian
Katelyn Kearns
Audrey Krall
Irena Kushner
Emily Lemay
Sandra Levis
Brenda Li
Christian Lightner
Kelsey Lim
Jessica Mancini
Stephanie Marble
Joseph McNiff
Brian McQuaide
ChamBrais Medeiros
Bjorn Merinder
Elizabeth Merritt
Adam Millerick
Alexandra Morgan-Welch
Charles Nickerson
Maryann O'Connell
Connor O'Neill
Andrew Osborne
Jennifer Quirnbach
Anne Rao
James Roselle
Tetyana Rykov
Alexia Samaras
Sharada Sant
Sumukh Sathnur
Kelsey Scult
Akira Sembommatsu
Cassandra Spector
Andrew Wait
Kyle Wanzek
In Joong Yoon

Honors

Mabelle Abreu
Faiyad Ahmad
Wilson Belbin
Stephanie Chen
Emily Daly
Chelinde Edouard
Kristen Garcia
John Hennessy
Rachael Holt
Craig Homung
Jeffrey Hu
Jonathan Hunter
Gregory Joyce
Jennifer Kattar
Hyun Ji Koo
Adam Landy
Nicole McKinney
Bryan McNiff
Danielle Meyers
Michelle Park
Matthew Regan
Bradley Samuels
Michela Smith
Benjamin Traub
Christopher Wu
Daniel Yuan

Grade 7

High honors

Vincent Benenati
Alexandra Bengston
Meredith Bilodeau
Kathryn Blanford
Caitlin Burke
Leah Cairns
Jennifer Campinell
Kristina Cappello
Lorelei Cardeau
Andrew Carroll
Michael Chan
Maria Christopulos
Rachel Colomba
Kristen Coneeny
Michelle Conway
Ela Cross
Megan Farquhar
John Farrell
Nicholas Galat
Erik Geffken
Jaclyn Gladstein
Alexander Goodman
David Hathaway
Eric Heath
Kelsey Heavey
Ryan Heavey
Ellis Heneghan
Andrew Hirsh
David Hu
Cassie Huang
Timothy Huntley
Marianna Jordan
Andrew Kanell
Lauren Kirwin
Michelle Kleger
Taryn Konevich
Deborah Koo
Katherine LaMark
Alexander Macheras
Robert Martin
Laura Massey
Kacie McManus
Sarah McNamara
Thomas McQuillan
Kyla McRoy
Shannon Muscatello
Matthew Newton
Danielle Paonessa
Heather Paonessa
Erica Potts
Shaheen Rangwalla
Qianli Shi
Christopher Shin
Sarah Thiele
Russell Trageser
Nithyaa Venkataramani
Jarrett Wadbrook
Samuel Weiss
Michelle Wiener
Ryan Yaghmoorian

Honors

Malina Andre
Connor Arnold
Blair Beasley
Christian Benedix
Rachel Bergan
Meredith Bernstein
Caroline Biles
Nicholas Binder
James Bradley
Alexandra Bruce
Sean M. Burke
John Conley
Shannon Cooney
Olivia Evans
Jeremy Fox
Kelly Fox
Louis Gatland
Christopher Hansen
Amelia Hunt
Jeffrey Hunt
Avery Iudice
Jeffrey Kublin
Ariel Kuykendall
Kathryn LaBatte
Nicole Lauria
Alexander Lawrence
Michael Layne
Hannah Maue
Jessica M. Miller
Sarah Ostrofsky
Kyle Rillahan
Alyssa Silva
Heather Sullivan
Kathleen Sullivan
Kelly Sullivan
Nicholas Terzakis
Brandon Topp
Caitlin Voorhees
Satin Zarkar

Grade 8

High honors

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Deepthi Bettadapur
Thomas Blanford
Kyle Butler
Sebastian Caliri
Bridget Carroll
Betsy Cohen
Taylor Crocker
Andrea Davis
Vanessa DiPasquale
Robert Fox
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Shayna Orent
Michael Palermo
Lisa Portney
Charlotte Purcell
Samantha Rance
Laura Renfro
Megan Richards
Christopher Sartori
Michael Song
Kathryn Sullivan
Joseph Terranova
Arti Tewari
Matthew Therkelsen
Victoria Vasilakis
Alice Wu
Sharon Yacubowicz
Simon Ye
Abigail Zuckerman

Honors

Robert Barry III
Varun Bhandari
Kimberly Crawford
Elizabeth Curtis
Andrew Dwyer
David Easton
Alexander Hage
Nima Haghighi-Mood
Renee Hamilton
Conor Hickey
Sara Hurchik
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ON CAMPUS

■ UMASS LOWELL

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Tomaszczuk, 50 River Road; **Lisa Tylus**, 172 Elm St.; **Michael Wallace**, 108 Lovejoy Road; **Andrea Wegner**, 2 Blanchard St.; and **Suzanne Zanoni**, 8 Nicoll Drive.

Stephanie L. Pierce of Andover, a junior at Colby College in Waterville, Maine is spending the spring semester of the 2003-04 academic year in New Zealand enrolled in a course of studies at the University of Otago.

Pierce, a graduate of Andover High School, is the daughter of Roger and Judith Pierce of Andover. She is majoring in sociology at Colby.

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The fall semester dean's list at Bryant College in Smithfield, R.I. includes the following local resident: **Edith Muller**, a sophomore in management.

Richard Starkweather of Andover, a junior majoring in business studies, has been named to the president's list for the fall 2003 semester at Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester, N.H.

To be eligible for this honor, a student must compile an academic grade-point average of 3.5 to 4.0.

Scholar Night April 15 at Doherty Middle School

Doherty Middle School will hold its annual Grades 6 and 7 Scholar Night on Thursday, April 15 at 7 in the school auditorium.

Students who have maintained honor-roll status for the first two terms will be recognized for their achievement.

AHS hot topic April 14: College admissions

The final meeting of "Choice, Not Chance" College Admissions Panel for Andover High School juniors and parents will be held next Wednesday, April 14 at 7 p.m. in the Collins Center.

SCHOOL LUNCH MENUS

Here's what's for lunch in the Andover public schools next week, April 12-16:

Elementary schools

Monday: Meatball sub, nachos with taco meat and cheese, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie, apple cobbler and milk.

Tuesday: Turkey dinner with all the trimmings, chocolate chip pancakes, pizza stick with soft pretzel, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Chicken McSchool with fries, salad bar, pizza ring, pears, peas and milk.

Thursday: Beef-filled raviolis with roll, french toast with sausage, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Pork chops with peas and applesauce, hot dog with fries, slice of pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Doherty Middle School

Monday: Meatball sub, baked chicken nuggets, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie, vanilla pudding and milk.

Tuesday: Roast turkey with all the trimmings, two hot dogs with chips, bakery pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, nachos with taco meat and cheese, mozzarella sticks with fries, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Salisbury steak with gravy and potato, chicken McSchool, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Barbecue chicken with rice, top your own tacos, cheeseburger with chips, fruit, veggie and milk.

Secondary schools

Monday: Boneless pork chops with potato, barbecue sloppy joe pizza, chicken broccoli and ziti, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Cheeseburger with chips, bakery pizza, lasagna stuffed shells, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Tuna sandwich with pasta salad, meatball sub with chips, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Two toasted cheese sandwiches, top your own tacos, bakery pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Baked macaroni and cheese, spaghetti and meat sauce, stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk.

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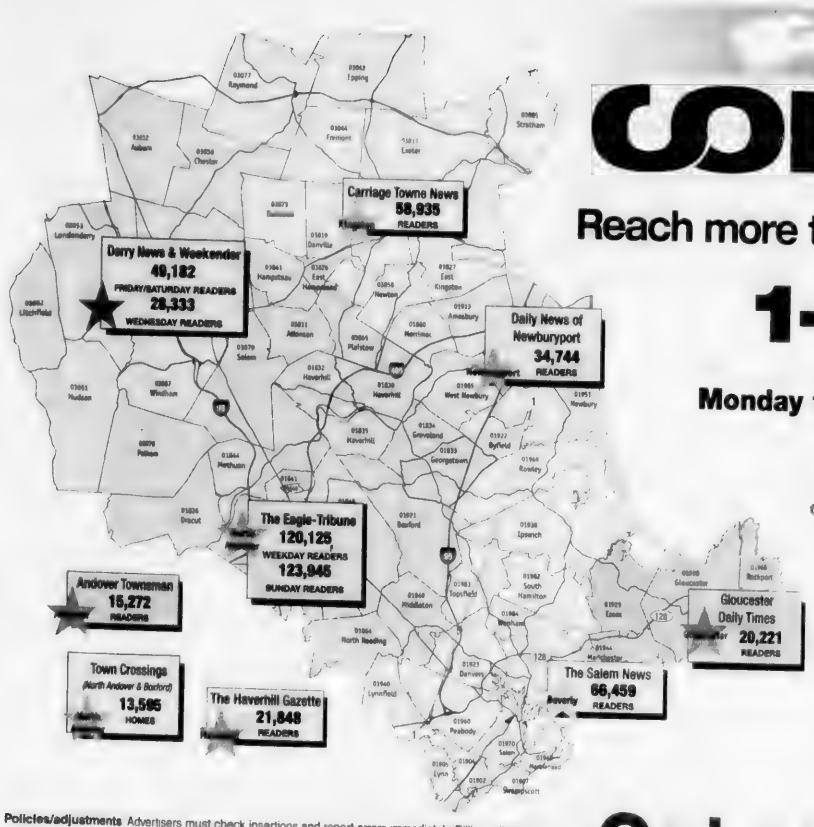

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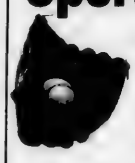

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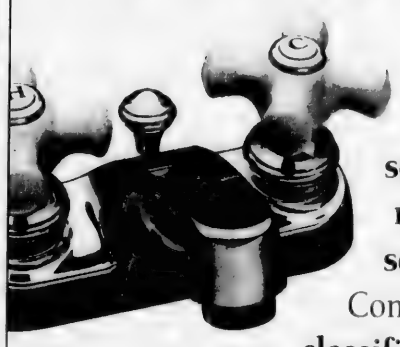

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The Trial Court
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ESSEX Division
Docket No. 04P0505GC1

In the Matter Of JOSEPH HINCKLEY OF ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON

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Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
April 8, 2004

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ESSEX Division
Docket No. 04P0713EP1

In the Estate of ALICE R. LUNDGREN AKA ALICE LUNDGREN
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death March 6, 2004

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that THOMAS F. CAFFREY of LAWRENCE in the County of ESSEX be appointed executor named in the will to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM, ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON **MAY 3, 2004.**

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, April 1, 2004.

Pamela Casey O'Brien Register of Probate Court
April 8, 2004

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No. 04P0448AD1

In the Estate of RICHARD C. DEVITO AKA RICHARD CECHILLE DEVITO
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death January 16, 2004

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that DIANE M. CARDELLO of EVERETT in the County of MIDDLESEX or some other suitable person be appointed administratrix of said estate to serve with personal surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM, ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON **APRIL 26, 2004**

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, March 25, 2004

Pamela Casey O'Brien Register of Probate
April 8, 2004

Mortgagee's Sale of Real Estate
Premises: 34 West Parish Drive
Andover, MA

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by James F. Taft to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee Mortgagee for First National Bank of Arizona, dated June 4, 2002, recorded at Essex County (North District) Registry Deeds in Book 6877, Page 165, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage contained and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on May 13, 2004 at 10:00 A.M., upon the mortgaged premises at 34 West Parish Drive, Andover, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

"A certain lot or parcel of land, together with the buildings thereon, situated in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts, shown as of #32 on a plan of land entitled, "Subdivision & Acceptance Plan "Weste Center Acres", dated January 1956, Clinton F. Goodwin, E., duly recorded with Essex North District Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 3235. Said lot, according to said plan, is more particularly bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY: by West Parish Drive, one hundred twenty and 30/100 (120.30) feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY: by Lot #1 on said plan by two courses respectively measuring, Eighty Six (86) feet, and one hundred forty and 3/100(140.03) feet;

SOUTHERLY by land or owners undersignated, one hundred nine (109) feet;

WESTERLY: by Thresher Road by two courses respectively measuring, Eighty-One and 62/100 (81.62) feet and one hundred ninety Seven and 47/100 (197.47) feet and

NORTHWESTERLY: by a curved line forming the intersection of said West Parish Drive and Thresher Road, forty-five and 63/100 (45.63) feet

Containing thirty-three thousand one hundred thirty (33,130) square feet of land more or less

Said premises are conveyed subject to conditions and restrictions of record insofar as the same may now be in force and applicable, to Zoning by-laws of the Town of Andover and to taxes for current municipal fiscal year

Being the same premises conveyed to the herein named mortgagor (s) by deed recorded with Essex North District Registry of Deeds in Book 5884, Page 89"

In the event of any typographical errors in the publication of this notice, the description in the mortgage shall control

Terms of Sale: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described. Five Thousand ($5,000.00) dollars of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser, and the balance of the purchase price shall be paid by certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale and shall be deposited with J. Patrick Kinhan, Esq., of Topsfield, Massachusetts.

Other terms to be announced at the sale

JP Morgan Chase Bank, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of August 1, 2003 among Credit-Based Asset Servicing and Securitization LLC, Asset-Backed Funding Corp Litton Loan Servicing LP and the Trustee, C-BASS Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2003-CB4
Present Holder of said Mortgage
By Assignment of Mortgage
by its Attorney-In-Fact
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MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 17 Boutwell Road
Andover, Massachusetts

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Robert James Lockyer to Fleet Mortgage Corp. dated November 30, 1999 and recorded with Essex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 5623, Page 2, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on the 29th day of April, 2004, A.D at 12:00 P.M. (Noon) at or upon the mortgaged premises 17 Boutwell Road, Andover, Massachusetts, as describer below, being all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

TO WIT

The land at 17 Boutwell Road, Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts being shown as Lot B on a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan located in Andover, Massachusetts, prepared for Roger J. Lafitt", dated May 17, 1996 by Cyr & Curran, Inc., recorded with Essex North District Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 11777

For title see deed recorded at said Registry of Deeds prior hereto

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all outstanding municipal or other public taxes, tax titles, assessments, liens or claims in the nature of liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, and existing encumbrances of record, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described

FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS and NO/100 ($5,000.00) must be paid by certified, bank, treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser as a deposit. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid in cash, or by certified check, bank cashier's check or bank treasurer's check within 30 days thereafter at the Law Offices of Shapiro & Kreisman, Chiswick Park, 490 Boston Post Road, Sudbury, MA 01776 (978) 443-8800. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Federal National Mortgage Association
PRESENT HOLDER
OF SAID MORTGAGE
April 8, 15 & 22 2004

LEGAL NOTICES

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No.
04P0631EP1

In the Estate of
BENJAMIN SAYLES
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of
ESSEX
Date of Death
December 11, 2003

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that MARVIN L. SAYLES of ANDOVER in the County of ESSEX be appointed executor named in the will to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM, ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON **APRIL 26, 2004.**

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16

WITNESS, HON JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, March 24, 2004

Pamela Casey
O'Brien Register of
Probate Court

From the Law Office Of:
Atty. Andrew F. Shea
2 Punchard Avenue
Andover, MA 01810

April 8, 2004

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No.
03D0005DV1

Divorce/Separate Support Summons By Publication

NEVENA MOLLOVA-LECHTOROVA AKA NEVENA N MOLLOVA, Plaintiff
V
NIKOLAY LECHTAROV,
Defendant

To the above named defendant:

A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, NEVENA MOLLOVA-LECHTOROVA AKA NEVENA N. MOLLOVA 21 STRATFORD ROAD ANDOVER, MA 01810, seeking DIVORCE & CUSTODY

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. Please refer to Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411 for more information.

You are required to serve upon KAZAROSIAN LAW OFFICES, DEMETRA PONTISAKOS ESQ. attorney for plaintiff whose address is 546 MAIN STREET, HAVERHILL, MA 01830 your answer on or before JUNE 24th, 2004. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Salem.

WITNESS, JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this 8th day of March, 2004

Pamela Casey
O'Brien Register of
Probate Court

March 25, 2004
April 1 & 8, 2004

Commonwealth Of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No.
04P0695EP1

In the Estate of
RICHARD F. CAMARRA AKA RICHARD CAMARRA
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of
ESSEX
Date of Death
February 25, 2004

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that a document purporting to be the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that ANTOINETTE (ANITA) GIOSSI of OAKDALE in the STATE of NEW YORK be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety. MARY A. CAMARRA LOMBARDI the other named exEcutrix in said will being unable to serve.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM, ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON **MAY 3, 2004.**

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, March 30, 2004.

Pamela Casey
O'Brien Register of
Probate Court

April 8, 2004

Mortgagee,s Sale of Real Estate

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by TNH Andover Springhill L.P. to Regency Savings Bank, F.S.B. dated July 24, 2001 and recorded with the Essex (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 6270, Page 87, as amended by an Amendment to Mortgage by and between TNH Andover Springhill L.P. and Regency Savings Bank, F.S.B. dated as of March 1, 2003 and recorded with the Essex (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 7944, Page 294 of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 o,clock A.M. on the 28th day of April, A.D. 2004, on the mortgaged premises described below, being known as Unit Two in Building B of the 500 Minuteman Condominium, a/k/a 550 Minuteman Road, Andover, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

Unit Two in Building B of 500 Minuteman Condominium established under Master Deed dated June 21, 2000 and recorded with the Essex North District Registry of Deeds on June 23, 2000 in Book 5784, Page 209, as confirmed by a Confirmatory and Amendatory 500 Minuteman Condominium Master Deed dated June 21, 2000, recorded with said Deeds on July 28, 2000 in Book 5816, Page 194, as Amended by Amendment No. 1 to 500 Minuteman Condominium Confirmatory and Amendatory Master Deed dated as of June 20, 2001 and recorded on June 29, 2001 in Book 6227, Page 206, (the .Master Deed‰), together with an undivided 50 percent interest in the Common Areas and Facilities described in the Master Deed and exclusive rights in the Limited Common Areas shown as Phase Two, on a Plan entitled „Amendment #1 to the Master Deed Site Plan for 500 Minuteman Condominium Trust, 500 and 550 Minuteman Road, Andover, Massachusetts, prepared for 500 Residence Limited Partnership and 500 Springhill Limited Partnership, dated June 7, 2001 and recorded with said Deeds as Plan No. 14048.

All Development and Expansion Rights with respect to and in Phase Two of the Condominium, including but not limited to the „Development Rights and Expansion Rights‰ described in Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Master Deed and the Exclusive right to use the Limited Common Areas associated with Phase Two, as set forth in the Master Deed

Together with the benefit of an Access, Drainage and Utility Easement Agreement dated June 25, 1997 by and among Niuna-100 River Inc., 200 Minuteman Limited Partnership, 300 Minuteman Limited Partnership, 400 Minuteman Limited Partnership and 500 Minuteman Limited Partnership recorded on June 26, 1997 in Book 4783, Page 22, as shown on that certain plan entitled „Subdivision Plan of Land in Andover, MA entitled .Minuteman Park‰ dated March 18, 1997 and revised June 5, 1997 and recorded as Plan No. 13069, including without limitation, the benefit of Easement A-1 (20' Wide Sewer Easement), Easement A-2 (20' Wide Sewer Easement), Easement B (multi-purpose Easement of Variable Width), Easement C (Roadway Access and Multipurpose Utility Easement), Easement D (30, Wide Multi-purpose Utility Easement), Easement E (30 Wide Multi-purpose Easement (which includes the land encumbered by that certain easement recorded in Book 1666, Page 303)), Easement F (Electric Easement), Easement G (Fiber Optic and Waterline Easement), Easement H-1 (30' Wide Multi-purpose Easement) Easement H-2 (30' Wide Multi-purpose Utility Easement), Easement I (30' Wide Multi-purpose Utility easement), Easement J (Electric easement) Easement K (30' Wide Multi-purpose Utility easement), Easement L-1 (30' Wide Public Access Easement) and Easement L-2 (30' Wide Public Access Easement).

Together with the benefit of an Easement reserved by the Ninety-Three Building Trust in a deed to the Town of Andover dated July 25, 1975, and recorded in Book 1267, Page 264. (Parcel F-6)

Together with the right to use, and in common with others lawfully entitled thereto 1776 Drive (Parcel „H‰) shown on the Subdivision Plan 13609

Together with the benefit of the rights contained in a Quitclaim Deed for Ninety-Three Building Trust to H.P.L. Corporation dated October 2, 1980, recorded in Book 1460, Page 197, being (a) the right to use, in common with those lawfully entitled thereto (Parcel H on 1776 Drive (aka Minuteman Road) for all purpose for which public streets are commonly used in the Town of Andover, (b) 20' Wide Utility Easement, and (c) 30, Wide Utility Easement

Together with the benefit of a Grant of Drainage Easement over Parcel F-6 defined therein by Niuna-100 River Inc., 200 Minuteman Limited Partnership, 400 Minuteman Limited Partnership, 500 Minuteman Limited Partnership, 150 Minuteman Limited Partnership, 100 Minuteman Limited Partnership and Parcel B Limited Partnership dated June 25, 1997 and recorded on June 26, 1997 in Book 4783, Page 48.

Together with the benefit of those certain storm drainage and sewerage easement, including, without limitation, the right to flow surface water drainage at the termination of the 85' Wide Drainage and Utility Easement granted in and over Parcel F until and unless other suitable facilities have been constructed to the Merrimack River, as set forth in that certain Deed to Digital Equipment Corporation, dated August 7, 1980, and recorded in Book 1446, Page 265.

Together with the benefit of that certain Grant of Bicycle Easement dated June 4, 1999 by and among 400 Minuteman Limited Partnership and Niuna-100 River, Inc., recorded June 17, 1999, in Book 5466, Page 210.

Together with the benefit of a certain Grant of Right of Entry and Temporary Construction Easement and Stormwater Drainage Easement, dated July 11, 2000, by 400 River Limited Partnership, recorded on July 28, 2000, in Book 5816, Page 277.

Together with the benefit of a certain Grant of Right of Entry, Temporary Construction Easement and Stormwater Drainage Easement, dated July 11, 2000 by 400 River Limited Partnership, recorded on July 28, 2000, in Book 5816, Page 282.

Together with the benefit of a certain Grant of Right of Entry, Temporary Construction Easement, Slope and Sign Easement, dated July 11, 2000 by 400 River Limited Partnership, recorded on July 28, 2000, in Book 5816, Page 287.

Together with the benefit of a certain Grant of Access and Utility Easement, dated July 11, 2000 by 300 Minuteman Limited Partnership, recorded on July 28, 2000, in Book 5816, Page 273.

Together with the benefit of a certain Water Line Easement Agreement, dated July 11, 2000 by and among 300 Minuteman Limited Partnership, 400 River Limited Partnership, 500 Residence Limited Partnership and 500 Springhill Limited Partnership, recorded on July 28, 2000, in Book 5816, Page 260.

Together with the benefit of a certain Roadway Maintenance Agreement dated as of February 28, 2001 recorded on June 12, 2001, in Book 6192, Page 265.

Together with the benefit of a certain Temporary Sign Easement contained in an instrument entitled „Grant of Right of Way, Temporary Construction Easement, Sign Access and Utility Easement dated May 2, 2001 by 300 Minuteman Limited Partnership and recorded in Book 6208, Page 127.

Together with the benefit of a certain Utility Easement dated as of June 20, 2001 by 200 Minuteman Limited Partnership and recorded in Book 6208, Page 130.

Together with the benefit of a certain Utility Easement dated as of June 20, 2001 by 300 Minuteman Limited Partnership and recorded in Book 6208, Page 139.

Together with the benefit of a certain Utility Easement dated as of June 20, 2001 by 500 Residence Limited Partnership and recorded in Book 6227, Page 200

Said condominium is located on a Parcel of land described as follows:

PARCEL „F-7‰

A parcel of land located in Andover, County of Essex, Massachusetts situated northerly of 1776 Drive (AKA Minuteman Road) being shown as Parcel „F-7‰ on a plan entitled „Plan of Land in Andover, MA, Showing Parcel „F-7‰, 1776 Drive (AKA Minuteman Road), Andover Massachusetts prepared for 500 Minuteman Limited Partnership‰ by Chas. H. Sells, Inc., dated March 30, 2000 recorded in the Essex North Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 13767. Being further described as follows:

Beginning at the southwesterly corner of parcel „F-7‰ on the northerly sideline of 1776 Drive (AKA Minuteman Road), thence,

N 22° 31' 21" W one hundred ninety one and 01/100 (191.01,) feet by Parcel „F-3-2‰ to the land now or formerly of Hewlett Packard Company; thence

along the land now or formerly of Hewlett Packard Company the following three courses:

N 49° 45' 20" E eighty seven and 38/100 (87.38') feet,
N 20° 37' 25" W nine hundred fifty and 00/100 (950.00') feet and
N 20° 37' 25" W eight hundred seventy nine and 98/100 (879.98') feet to a point at Parcel „F-6‰; thence

along Parcel „F-6‰ the following five courses:

N 79° 04' 12" E four hundred fifty six and 57/100 (456.57') feet,
N 89° 40' 55" E two hundred fifty eight and 53/100 (258.53') feet,
S 83° 05' 47" E two hundred twenty and 90/100 (220.90') feet,
S 73° 16' 52" E three hundred thirty four and 56/100 (334.56') feet, and
N 82° 04' 02" E one hundred nineteen and 88/100 feet (119.88') to a point at the land of the Town

of Andover; thence

S 73° 16' 52" E one hundred fifty four and 00/100 feet (154.00') along the land of the Town of Andover to the westerly sideline of Interstate Route 93; thence

along the westerly sideline of Interstate 93 the following two courses

S 06° 04' 41" E two hundred two and 56/100 feet (202.56') and

By a curve to the left having a radius of six thousand one hundred fifty and 00/100 feet (6150.00') a length of one thousand one hundred twenty six and 60/100 feet (1126.00') to a point at the northeasterly corner of Parcel „F-5-1‰, thence

along Parcel „F-5-1‰ the following three courses:

S 73° 21' 28" W sixty eight and 08/100 feet (68.08'),
N 61° 47' 18" W nineteen and 85/100 feet (19.85') and
N 16° 38' 32" W nineteen and 08/100 feet (19.08') to a point at Parcel „F-4-2‰, thence

Along Parcel „F-4-1‰ the following sixteen courses:

N 16° 38' 32" W twenty five and 00/100 feet (25.00'),
N 28° 21' 28" E nineteen and 90/100 feet (19.90'),
N 73° 21' 28" E twenty six and 89/100 feet (26.89'),
N 16° 38' 32" W two hundred twenty one and 17/100 (221.17'),
N 13° 46' 04" W one hundred fifteen and 75/100 feet (115.75'),

By a curve to the right having a radius of five thousand seven hundred seventy eight and 70/100 feet (5778.70') a length four hundred fifty nine and 83/100 feet (459.83'),

N 12° 29' 07" W seventy nine and 69/100 feet (79.69'),
N 14° 02' 10" W fifty nine and 00/100 feet (59.00'),
N 41° 49' 13" W one hundred seventy eight and 82/100 feet (178.82'),
N 51° 53' 33" W one hundred forty one and 59/100 feet (141.59'),
S 80° 56' 51" W three hundred thirty one and 53/100 feet (331.53'),
S 09° 03' 09" E five hundred forty one and 11/100 (541.11') feet,
S 40° 03' 53" W three hundred forty seven and 38/100 (347.38') feet,
S 20° 27' 18" E Two hundred twenty two and 68/100 (222.68') feet,
S 19° 13' 08" E four hundred five and 83/100 (405.83') feet,
S 40° 17' 07" W two hundred thirty four and 71/100 (234.71') feet and
S 02° 43' 59" W one hundred eighteen and 78/100 (118.78') feet to a point on the northerly side of Minuteman Road; thence

Along the northerly sideline of said 1776 Drive (AKA Minuteman Road) by a curve to the left having a radius of five hundred forty seven and 00/100 (547.00') feet and a length of one hundred ninety six and 06/100 (196.06') feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel „F-7‰ containing 1,345,984 square feet or 30.899 Acres, more or less.

A certain parcel of land located in Andover, County of Essex, Massachusetts, situated northerly of 1776 Drive and being Shown as Parcel „F-5-4‰ on a plan entitled „Plan of Land in Andover, MA, Division of Parcel „F-5-1‰, „300 Minuteman Rd. (AKA 1776 Drive), Andover, Massachusetts, Prepared for 300 Minuteman Limited Partnership‰, dated April 23, 2001, prepared by Chas. H. Sells, Inc., and recorded as Plan No. 14037.

Said Parcel „F-5-4‰ being further bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the southeasterly corner of Parcel „F-7‰ at the westerly sideline of Interstate Route 93; thence

Along the westerly sideline of Interstate Route 93 the following two courses:

By a curve to the left having a radius of six thousand one hundred fifty and 00/100 feet (6150.00') a length of two hundred forty four and 79/100 (244.79') feet; thence,

S 18° 51' 16" E seven hundred fifty two and 03/100 (752.03') feet, to a point at parcel „F-5-3‰, thence,

Along Parcel „F-5-3‰ the following five courses:

S 71° 08' 44" W fifty eight and 90/100 (58.90') feet;
N 18° 51' 16" W sixty four and 54/100 (64.54') feet;
N 71° 08' 44" E sixteen and 90/100 (16.90') feet;
N 18° 51' 16" W six hundred eighty seven and 49/100 (687.49') feet; and

By a curve to the right having a radius of six thousand one hundred ninety two and 00/100 (6192.00') feet, a length two hundred forty six and 41/100 (246.41'), to a point at Parcel „F-7‰, thence,

Along Parcel „F-7‰ the following course:

N 73° 21' 28" E forty two and 00/100 (42.00,)

feet to the point of beginning.

Said Parcel „F-5-4‰ containing 42,991 square feet or 0.987 acres, more or less.

As affected by Subordination, Non-Disturbance and Attornment Agreement (Management Agreement) dated July 24, 2001 and recorded in the Essex (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 6270, Page 184.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date.

Said premises will be sold subject to and with the benefit of all restrictions, easements, improvements, outstanding tax titles, mortgages, liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, unpaid taxes, municipal liens and other public taxes, assessments or liens, having priority over the mortgage described herein, if any

In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by Foreclosure Deed to the second highest bidder provided that the second highest bidder shall deposit with Mortgagee,s attorneys, Kotin, Crabtree & Strong, LLP, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within three (3) business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to said second highest bidder within twenty (20) days of said written notice

TERMS OF SALE: Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000.00) will be required to be paid in cash or by certified check at the time and place of sale as earnest money. The balance is to be paid in cash or by certified check within forty five (45) days of the date of sale and shall be deposited in escrow with the firm of Kotin, Crabtree & Strong, LLP, One Bowdoin Square, Boston, MA 02114 pending approval of said sale by the land court. The Deed shall be delivered within ten (10) days from the date of the approval of said sale by land court..

Other terms, if any, to be announced at sale.

Regency Savings Bank, F.S.B.
present holder of said mortgage,
by its attorney,
Abbott L. Reichlin
Kotin Crabtree & Strong, LLP
One Bowdoin Square
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 227-7031

April 1, 8 and 15., 2004

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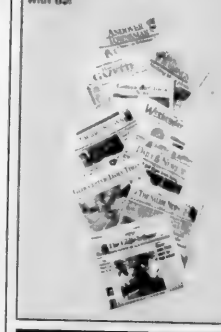

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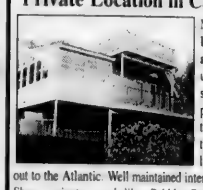

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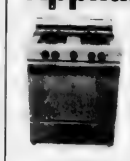

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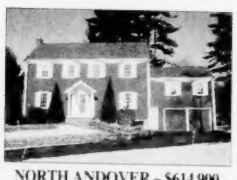

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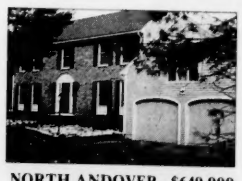

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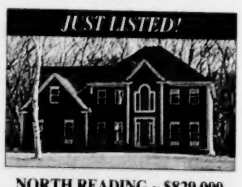

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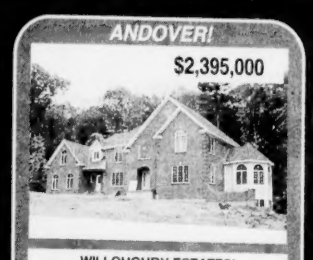
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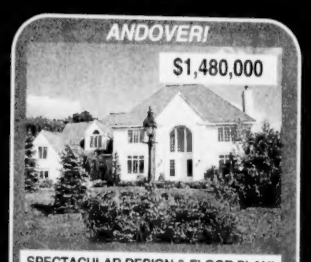
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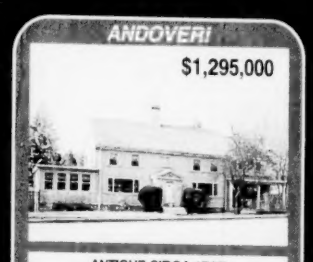
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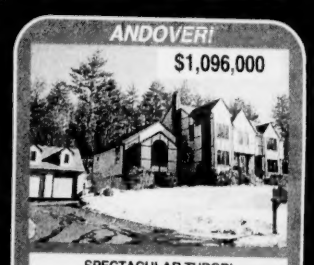
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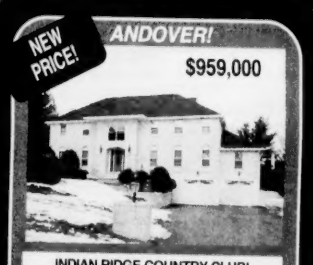
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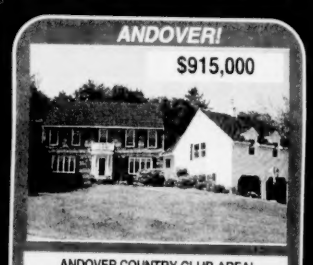
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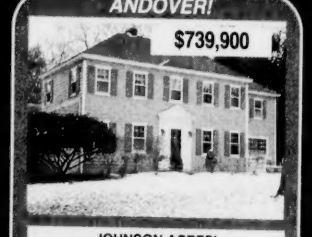
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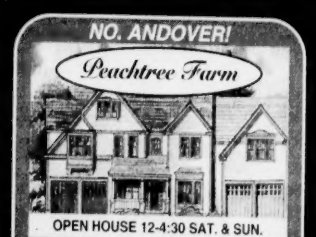
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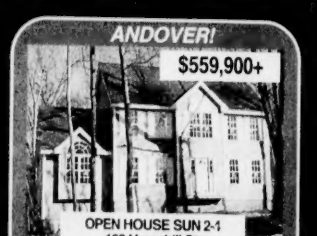
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